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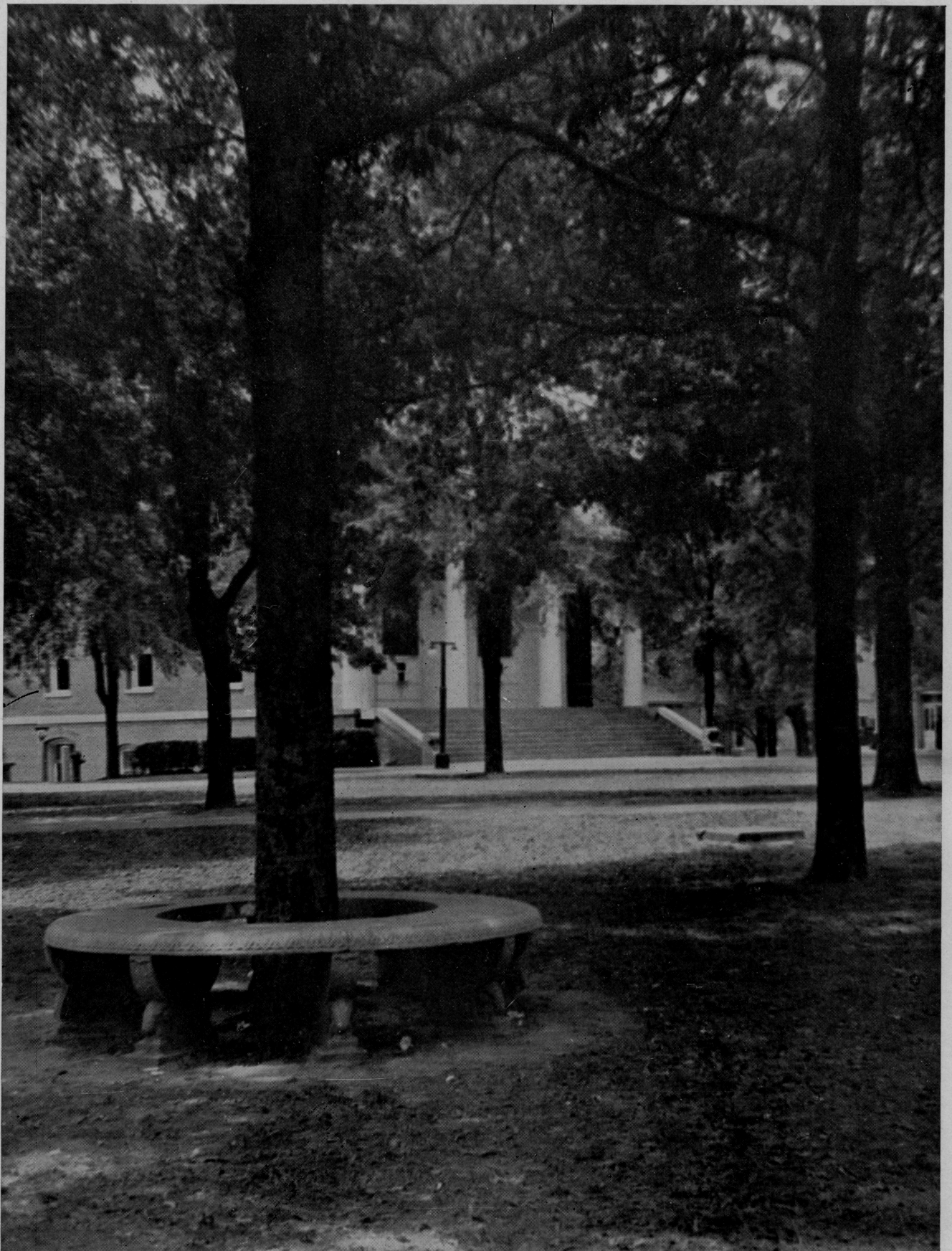
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LANGDON HALL AS SEEN FROM THE CIRCULAR BENCH

The many warm, sunny days recently and the first slight appearance of grass indicate that the campus is soon to resume its beautiful Spring appearance. The old main campus in front of Langdon Hall, Main and Chemistry Buildings will be more attractive than ever following the landscape grooming now in progress. There will be a newly designed system of footpaths and facilities for maintaining sod in the dense shade of the oaks and elms—all of which are more than half a century old. Adequate facilities for drainage are being installed and the heavy strand of wire supported by the little green posts to indicate the walks is being removed.



DR. BRADFORD KNAPP
*President-elect of the Alabama
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DR. BRADFORD KNAPP ELECTED PRESIDENT OF AUBURN

*Former Oklahoma A. and M. Head Receives Unanimous Choice of Board.
Dr. Knapp Accepts, Resigning Present Position.*

DR. Bradford Knapp, president of Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College at Stillwater, Okla., Friday, March 16, was unanimously elected president of Auburn to succeed Dr. Spright Dowell when the latter's resignation becomes effective June 1.

This action by the Board of Trustees, gathered in the Governor's offices in Montgomery, came after an investigation of approximately four months by a special committee which recommended Dr. Knapp to the Board. Dr. Knapp will assume charge of Auburn June 1, at which time President Dowell goes to Macon, Ga., as head of Mercer University. Dr. Knapp's salary was fixed at \$12,000 a year.

The Board immediately accepted the recommendation of the special committee and appointed Dr. Knapp president of Auburn. The committee was composed of R. E. Tidwell, W. H. Oates, C. W. Ashcraft, Charles S. McDowell and Victor H. Hanson. Mr. Hanson as vice-chairman was delegated the duty of conducting the active correspondence of the committee which he did ably and in an untiring manner.

Many College Degrees

Dr. Knapp was born at Vinton, Iowa, Dec. 4, 1870. He attended the Iowa College of Agriculture two years; received the B. S. Degree at Vanderbilt University, 1892; was given the LL.B., degree by the University of Michigan, 1896; and made Doctor of Agriculture by Maryland Agricultural College, 1918. For a few years after graduating from the University of Michigan Dr. Knapp was associated with his father in Southern Agricultural work; then he practiced law in Clarion, Iowa, 1899 to 1909.

Dr. Knapp is a Mason, member of Kappa Alpha, Alpha Zeta, and Phi Kappa Phi fraternities, a Rotarian

and a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Football Player

He was a member of Vanderbilt's first football team, playing tackle, and was manager of the team in his senior year. He was associate editor of the weekly college paper and also of the monthly literary magazine.

Dr. Knapp Notified

Immediately after the election of Dr. Knapp, Victor H. Hanson, of Birmingham, vice-chairman of the special committee called him over long distance telephone at Stillwater, Okla. In the conversation Dr. Knapp gave assurance of his acceptance.

Resigns at Oklahoma

A notice in the Saturday papers told of Dr. Knapp's resignation at Oklahoma A. & M., in which he asks for a two weeks leave of absence to visit Alabama and confer with the Trustees and alumni preparatory to laying out a program for the coming year at Auburn. It is thought that Dr. Knapp will be in the state perhaps during the month of March for a short time.

Reasons for favoring Auburn

Though Auburn is not so large a school as the Oklahoma institution Dr. Knapp had this to say concerning his reasons for deciding to come to Alabama: "They have excellent equipment and the school has a fine history behind it."

"I understand they have had but four presidents. The one who recently resigned has served them eight or nine years. They have lately made additional appropriations for the institution including a very material increase in the funds for salaries and maintenance and a special fund of about \$750,000 available over a term of three years for new buildings.

"The board is composed of out-

standing men of the state who are appointed for long terms of office under a type of organization which entirely divests the institution from factional political influences in the state."

Enviably Record

Since Dr. Knapp has been at the Oklahoma A. & M. College the enrollment has increased from 1600 to almost 3,000 during which time eight major buildings and a stadium have been erected on the campus. The streets and sidewalks on the campus have been paved, five hundred acres of land have been purchased and the offices have been well equipped. Also during Dr. Knapp's administration the faculty has grown in numbers and the scholastic standing of the faculty has been raised.

Probably the highest recommendation that Dr. Knapp has is the esteem and reverence held for him by the faculty and students of the college where he has been for the past five years. Persons who have had close contact with and observation of Dr. Knapp think that few men can win and hold the confidence of students better than he. He is interested in extra-curricula activities so long as they do not interfere with scholastic work.

Notable Career

After completing a law course at the University of Michigan in 1896 he served as assistant treasurer of the Iowa State College for three years, after which he accepted the position of assistant to his father, who was developing farm demonstration work through the United States Department of Agriculture.

On the death of his father in 1911 Dr. Knapp was appointed to succeed him.

He resigned from the Department
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TRUSTEES PROTEST ALLOCATION OF TEACHER TRAINING WORK

*Attitude of Auburn's Governing Board Clearly Set Forth in Adoption of Resolution
of Non-concurrence With Action of Education Board*

AT THE meeting in Montgomery on Friday, March 16, the Trustees of the College went on record as bitterly opposing the recent allocation of the teacher training funds of \$100,000 whereby the University of Alabama receives \$65,000 and Auburn only \$20,000. The action of the State Board of Education was characterized as a move which "tends to build up the University at the expense of Auburn. It is contrary to the basic conception of the unified educational program previously agreed upon."

Gov. Bibb Graves and State Superintendent of Education R. E. Tidwell, ex-officio members of the board, were the only ones to cast dissenting votes on the Board's action of refusing to concur with the teacher training fund allocation by means of adopting a resolution of protest.

Judge T. D. Samford, board member of Opelika, who offered the resolution, gave the intimation that his move was but the first in an attempt to contest the board of Education's allotment of funds, when he declared that he believed the division of funds was illegal.

A brief has been prepared in support of the illegality of the fund division, Samford said. He will make it public, he declared, when circumstances demand.

The resolution in full follows:

"Whereas, the action recently taken by the State Board of Education and endorsed by a six to two vote of the State Council of Education allots to the Alabama Polytechnic Institute only \$20,000 a year of the teacher training fund against \$65,000 allotted to the University of Alabama; and

"Whereas, Auburn is definitely restricted in the uses to which it may put its share of the fund, being forbidden to use it for the training of school principals or superintendents, or for graduate work except in agricultural and home economic lines, while no restrictions of any kind are put upon the University;

"Therefore be it resolved:

"1. That we, the trustees of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, deeply regret any action which threatens to destroy or disturb the friendly relations that after long and earnest efforts have been established between these two great institutions of the state. A recognition of absolute equality between them was the basis of this amicable relation. It was the very foundation of the unified educational program passed by the recent session of the Legislature. Without a clear recognition of this equality, no satisfactory legislation for the higher institutions would have been possible.

Contrary To Program

"2. That this recent action of the Board of Education tends to build up the University at the expense of Auburn. It is contrary to the basic conception of the unified educational program previously agreed upon. It stirs passion and hard feeling between the two great institutions where a kindly feeling of sympathy and co-operation had recently been brought about.

"3. That we protest with the utmost vigor against any movement to build up one institution so that it will dominate the whole educational system of our state. There is no basis for such a policy in the fundamental law establishing these colleges. There is no reason for it in the actual conditions in the state today.

"4. That such would be the natural tendency, whether intended or not, of the recent action of the Board of Education. It gives Auburn \$20,000 a year for teacher training against \$65,000 for the University. It limits Auburn to the training of teachers for class room positions, while the University may train them also to be principals and superintendents. The obvious result of such a policy would be to put very soon the control of the educational system of the state in the hands of the University to the great detriment and disadvantage of the Alabama Poly-

technic Institute and the other higher institutions of learning in the state.

"Such a policy would overlook the long and valuable service rendered by Auburn in teacher training in the past. This service, both in the undergraduate and the graduate fields, has been notable and fully equal to that rendered by any other institution in the state. The number of students now matriculated for teacher training at Auburn is fully as great as at any other of the higher institutions in the state. The standard of work is as high.

"For more than 40 years graduate courses of high grades have been given at Auburn for those preparing to teach. Many who have taken these courses now occupy the highest positions as teachers and as administrators in the educational institutions in our own and other states.

Do Not Concur

"5. That, realizing these facts and conscious of our responsibility to the State of Alabama as trustees of a constitutionally created institution, we do hereby declare our purpose to maintain the long and honorable record of Auburn in the teacher training field both on the undergraduate level and on the graduate level on a basis of equality with the University. This board of trustees therefore does non-concur in the recommendation of the State Council of Education in regard to the so-called allocation of work at Auburn.

"6. That with the increased funds made available by the recent action of the Legislature, we believe it possible and desirable to extend the graduate work in general and the teacher training in particular so as to make them in all respects equal to the work done by any state institution in the South. We can thus assure to Auburn facilities adequate to meet its responsibility to the people of our great state, to bear its equal share of the burden of training in all fields without restrictions, teachers and administrators for our educational system."

CRITICAL PROBLEMS NOW CONFRONT AUBURN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

*Judge Samford Urges The Alumni to Return to Auburn on
May 21st for Alumni Day*

To the Auburn Alumni:

OUR Alma Mater has been, and is passing through one of the most crucial periods in its history. To those of us familiar with the details there is hope for bigger and better things.

The Institution, however, is not without a continued fight to maintain its prestige and traditions. Much of this opposition seems to come from quarters where we should only look for co-operation and some of it, I regret to say, has come from within the ranks of those who owe their loyalty to the Auburn Polytechnic Institute.

The actual management of the Institution has been placed in the hands of trustees, who are legally constituted authorities and charged with its management and control. Exercising this control they have accepted the resignation of Dr. Dowell, and they will give us a new President by the first of June of this year.

The Auburn Alumni Association has itself been disturbed by controversy growing out of the conditions at Auburn, and while I do not believe that any of the alumni have desired to do other than boost the College, I am convinced that there has been much ill-advised controversy which has seriously militated against progress and discipline.

If the Association is to function as it should there must be a loyal intelligent cooperation with those in authority to the end that the College will receive from the State what it is justly entitled to, both in recognition of its curriculum and in money, to carry out its plans.

We cannot lose sight of the fact that Auburn, like every other State Institution, is more or less controlled by the politics of the State, and if the alumni are content to let the alumni of other institutions dominate the sources from which support must

come we cannot expect our fair share of political recognition.

To do this it is my purpose at the coming meeting on May 21st at Commencement to lay before the Auburn Alumni Association a full statement of the entire situation in the hope



JUDGE WILLIAM H. SAMFORD
President Auburn Alumni Association

that a program will be adopted by and through which we can in a concrete way present the claims of the College to the duly constituted authorities.

At that meeting there will be new officers elected. There will be a plan submitted whereby the "Auburn Alumnus" can be put in the hands of every alumnus; it is suggested that provision may be made for an editor of this publication. A recognition of the Association along progressive lines will be sought by us looking to the placing of the claims of the College before State Administrations, at the proper time and in a forceful way.

We shall discuss the recent action of the Educational Council in limiting the activities of graduates of Auburn, and we will want to know why that is done. And last, but not least, among the questions to be determined is the selection of trustees from among the alumni of the State.

The meeting will be opened for discussion after the plans have been outlined, and action will be taken with a view to having a virile organization.

To take part in this meeting each alumnus must be a member of the association and must have paid his annual dues of \$5.00, or have contributed \$100.00 as a life member.

In other words, no man will be entitled to a voice in the council without having qualified as a member by the payment of his dues.

In conclusion I want to say to the alumni that our Executive Secretary gives every promise of being all that we could hope for, and I believe that if we will cooperate with him we will have an association of which we will be proud.

Faithfully yours,

WM. H. SAMFORD,

President, Auburn Alumni Ass'n.
Montgomery, Alabama,
March 7, 1928.

NEW PRESIDENT SPEAKS BIRMINGHAM BANQUET

Dr. Bradford Knapp, Auburn's president-elect, will appear for the first time in Alabama since his election, at the annual meeting of the A. E. A. in Birmingham, March 29-31.

Dr. Knapp will speak at a banquet of the Auburn alumni teachers attending the A. E. A. to be held in the Tutwiler Hotel March 30, from six to eight P. M.

REMARKS ON SOUTHERN SPEECH

"Certain Peculiarities of Our 'Southern Drawl' are Highly Desirable," Says Our Friend From the "Nawth"

By W. E. BOWER
Instructor in English

IT STRIKES me that to discuss Southern speech is a somewhat delicate task for a man who hails from Michigan. The people of all sections of this country are very sensitive to criticisms of their speech, as is very natural. Southern people have had cause to be especially sensitive, because their use and pronunciation of the language have been criticized often and unwisely by uninformed and captious "Yankees." I should like to take the point of view of a preacher of English, and rise quite above all sectional ideas of the correctness of speech. My purpose is merely to make some random observations on the current speech as I have heard it in this section of Alabama, perhaps to make some comparisons with the speech of other sections, and to make some suggestions—as a teacher of English, I hasten to say—for improving the quality of spoken English in this section.

There is no Southern dialect

In making this little study, I have become more and more impressed by the fact that, properly speaking, there is no such thing as a Southern dialect, if one does not wish to consider the negro dialect. The whole matter comes down to a question of difference in pronunciation, accent, tone quality, and tempo. To be sure, the Southerner uses many words that are not in the speaking vocabulary of one who lives north of the famous line, but these words do not exist in such numbers as to enable one to speak of the language as a dialect. There remain only these interesting differences, and interesting they certainly are to any student of language.

The first thing that strikes the visitor is the usually soft and pleasant quality of the Southern voice. The distinctly nasal tone of certain sections of the North is seldom heard in any part of the South. As a rule, the tone and pitch are very agreeable and even melodious. It seems to me also that the Southern voice is capable of much more flexibility than the voice of most Northerners, who tend to speak in almost a monotone, securing variation largely through

changes in tempo. The Southerner modulates his voice in tone and pitch, and is very likely to gain a rhythmical effect exceedingly pleasant to the ear. He is much more likely to secure a pattern in his speech, and one rather more complicated in the interweaving of its elements, than is the person who rushes through his sentences, eager to get said clearly and directly what he has in mind. I take it that this person represents the Southerner's idea of Northern speech; and it is not far wrong at all. No one will deny that a melodious pattern of sound invites greater attention, though it may in the end induce sleep. I suspect that the power of the old-time Southern orators, who held their audiences for hours on end, was in some measure due to the satisfying richness and flexibility of their voices, entirely apart from what was being said.

"g's" and "ing's" are omitted

Satisfying as the sound of the Southern voice may be, it does not always succeed in being precise and accurate. That this is a loss everyone will no doubt agree. The first purpose of language is to convey thought clearly and effectively. Any pronunciation or enunciation which does not attain that end is faulty. Southerners themselves will doubtless recognize that very often slovenly enunciation is to be heard. It usually takes the form of muffling the end of a word, or failing to pronounce one of the syllables, or of omitting the final letter. Even more so than people of other sections, Southerners leave off the final "g" of words ending in "ing," as *comin'*, *goin'*, and *singin'*. Many times in papers that come to me I find "and" spelled "an"; and the simple reason for it is that the student does not pronounce the final "d" and therefore does not write it. It is phonetic spelling with a vengeance. I am not now lamenting the almost total loss of the "r"; I can believe that it is unnecessary, or that enough of the sound is given—both excuses that I have

heard. But I think one may legitimately object to the dropping of the "l" from words ending in "lp." "Help" should not be "he'p." The interesting Elizabethan word "holp" ought not to be pronounced as if it were "hope." The mispronunciation of "get" as "git" is present in the South as it is in all parts of the United States. "Of" for "have" is perhaps as gross an error as one will note: "I would of come if I hadda known." Most of these gross errors result solely from lack of care in enunciation. I shall say nothing about the "you all" provincialism, except to remark that it has a long and honorable lineage.

Perhaps the Climate's to blame

A curious sectional difference in speech is the tendency in the South to throw the accent in a polysyllabled word to the first syllable. A southerner usually says "ho-tel" rather than "hotel," "ce-ment" rather than "cement," "De-troit" rather than "Detroit." I have wondered if that was not due to the fact that a slower tempo in speech tends to throw the accent forward. The rapid-speaking "Yankee" says "cement" in order that he may get it out much more quickly than "ce-ment." Climate is usually assigned as the reason for the slower movements—and some even say laziness—of the Southerner; may it not also have something to do with his speech. It is not incredible.

I am distinctly aware of the fact that any of the strictures I have indulged in, and those that may follow, are not alone applicable to the South. Observers everywhere will be able to note practically all of the errors I mention. There are some, however, that seem to me to be more characteristic of this section than any other. The use of the form "done" as a suffix, and sometimes intensive, auxiliary, and as meaning "already," is one example. "He's done gone." "She's done finished her work." Perhaps the worst that can be said of this usage is that the form is unnecessary; personally I find it picturesque in colloquial speech. Of course it

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WILL ROGERS VISITS AUBURN

*Great Reception is Given Will Who Speaks in
Alumni Gymnasium*

AUBURN did itself proud in the way Will Rogers was entertained on Saturday, March 3. Will appreciated every bit of the consideration shown him, too. He thoroughly enjoyed his visit to Auburn and had you been present at his lecture in the Alumni Gymnasium you would have believed him when he said, "I appreciate the kindness shown me here in Auburn which far surpasses anything I have ever experienced."

Though Mr. Rogers came to Auburn to appear in concert for the entertainment of those who heard him, Captain B. C. Anderson and the Kiwanis Club conceived the idea that it would be fitting for the students and people of Auburn to in turn entertain him and thereby make his visit more than the usual one to a small town. And that's exactly what was done.

More Than 1,000 Greet Will

The reception accorded Mr. Rogers was probably the most unique affair ever staged in this part of the state. Possibly it was not the biggest, but it was undoubtedly the most unusual reception ever witnessed in Auburn or in this section of the state.

Mr. Rogers, as he alighted from the train chewing the inevitable wad of gum, was met by a crowd of more than 1,000 students and townspeople. Captain B. C. Anderson, president of the Kiwanis Club, and a reception

committee composed of P. O. Davis, and Mayor C. S. Yarbrough escorted him to the "aeroplane," a remodeled Ford piloted by Howard Smith, '29, in which he rode during the parade. Directly in front of him was the Auburn

representing Mayor Yarbrough, the Sigma Nu truck, Sigma Phi Sigma wagonload of 'bottle-toters', and others.

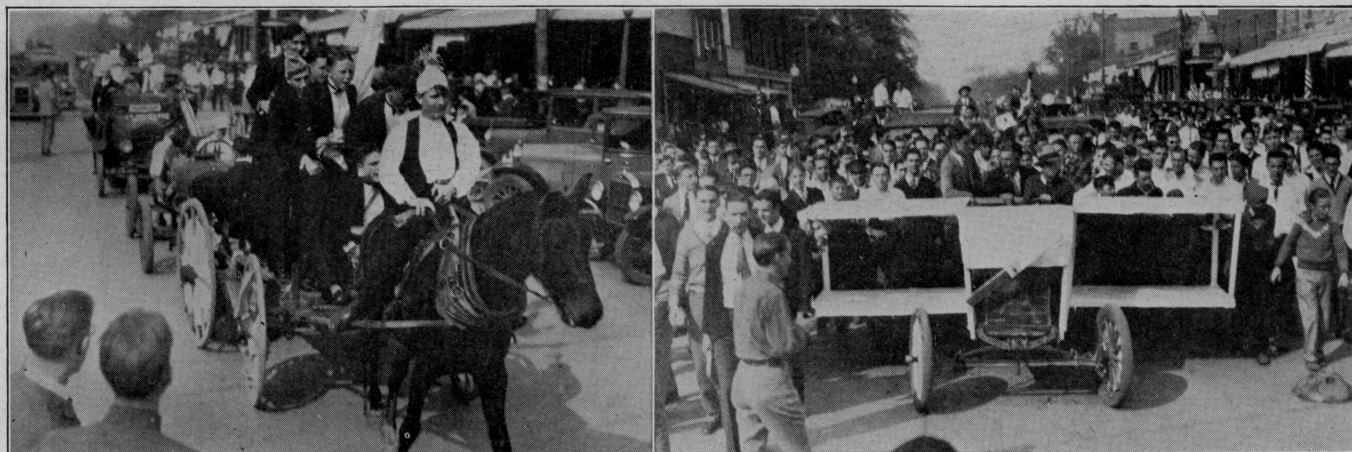
From the depot, the parade passed up College Street to Magnolia Avenue,



Will Rogers Met by Captain Anderson and Crowd When He Reached Auburn

Band, and a mounted military escort, composed of members of the Scabbard and Blade. Following him were the members of the Spade Honor Society, "Rat" Culpepper with the Ag Club,

thence to Gay Street, down Gay and back to College, ending in front of the Thomas Hotel. As Mr. Rogers entered, he paused at the onlookers' (Continued on page 36)

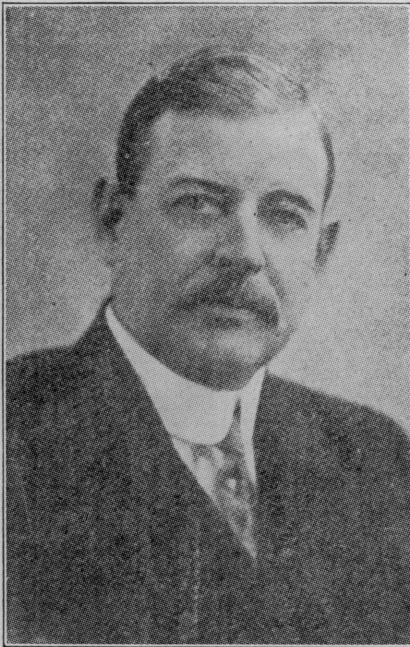


Sigma Phi Sigma "Bottle Toters", part of the Rogers parade, and Will seated in his plane midst several hundred eager college boys who followed him through the streets of Auburn.

PROMINENT AUBURN ALUMNUS DIES AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Judge William H. Lamar, '81, Has Illustrious Career

WILLIAM H. LAMAR, of Washington, D. C., died February 10, 1928, and interment was made in the National Cemetery at Arlington. Judge Lamar served for a long time as solicitor for



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the Post Office Department at Washington, later being made Assistant Attorney General for the Post Office Department by President Wilson.

Judge Lamar's death brought to an end a career outstanding in its success of law enforcement under the most inauspicious conditions. A biographical sketch found in the Tercenary History of Maryland referred to Judge Lamar's long connection with the Department of Justice by saying that "He was highly commended by the Postmaster General on numerous occasions for the manner in which he handled the war activities of the postal service, involving among other things, the direction of all litigation growing out of the administration of the espionage act, and the trading with the enemy act, and the administration of the telegraph and telephone and postal fraud cases. These cases were numerous, but all were decided in favor of the government."

In a letter from Mr. Burleson, dated Jan. 25, 1921, in reference to the case of the *New York Call*, a communistic newspaper: "Whereas, this affords complete justification to me for the action taken, yet to you it must be a source of great gratification because, as you said in your statement, it is the last (save one, which was afterward decided in favor of the government) of the numerous law suits instituted against me as Postmaster General and in every single one judicial endorsement of my action has been secured. This vindicates your judgment and demonstrates your ability as a lawyer, because of the burden of giving attention to these cases has fallen on you. I congratulate you, as this with one case remaining will practically wind up the record you made as my solicitor and truly it has proven a brilliant one. I am sure no solicitor in the history of the department has had anything like the many complex problems to face and I know that no one has been more successful in solving them."

The Rev. C. R. Lamar, of Montgomery, pays him this tribute:

"Will Lamar was esteemed by all who knew him as a noble fellow, with a big heart, and big brain. He was greatly admired and greatly loved. Peace to his ashes and also to his generous faithful soul. Since the death of his lovely wife some years since, he has made his home in the University Club of Washington, where he has been the brilliant center of a coterie of the nation's intellectuals, over whom the pall of sorrow has fallen with his demise."

The 1913 file of *The Alumnus* yields this interesting news item concerning Judge Lamar:

On Monday, May 5, 1913, William H. Lamar, a native of Lee County, Alabama, and a graduate of the Polytechnic Institute at Auburn, 1881, was sworn in as Assistant Attorney General of the Post Office Department. Mr. Lamar is a son of the late Dr. W. H. Lamar of Auburn. Shortly after he went to Washington he secured a position with the Weather Bureau, and later was sent with the Greely relief expedition. He was on

the Protius when that vessel was wrecked, and was thirty-seven days in reaching a place of safety. He took valuable photographs of the sinking Protius.

Subsequently, Mr. Lamar graduated from the Law Department of the Georgetown University. During the last administration of President Cleveland, he was chief clerk under the First Assistant Postmaster-General. For some years he has been a special attorney with the Department of Justice. Two years ago he was a manager of the campaign of Hon. Blair Lee, who just missed by one vote being the party nominee for Governor of Maryland. It was largely through the influence of the latter that Mr. Lamar was appointed to the \$5,000 position that has just been given him.

The wife of William H. Lamar is a daughter of the late Associate Justice and Senator L. Q. C. Lamar, of Mississippi.—Advertiser.

AUBURN'S NEW THEATRE

Auburn is to have a \$50,000 theatre comparable to those in the larger places and furnishing the same advantages as the more luxurious. Ground has already been broken for the building and it will be completed by May 1. The J. M. Thomas estate is erecting the building.

The structure, which will be erected on the lot joining the Thomas Hotel, is to be of Spanish architecture and will measure sixty by one hundred sixty-five feet, seating 900 people. Only the better pictures will be shown and an orchestra is to accompany the night shows. The management plans to install an expensive pipe-organ.

Make your plans to attend the Alumni Meeting at Commencement, May 21. Important issues will be decided at that time.

Keep the *Alumnus* on your mailing list and give us any information that would interest Auburn men. This would include outstanding achievements, honors, changes of address, news of marriages, birth or deaths among the alumni everywhere.

CONCERNING THE LIFE OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

*A Speech Delivered by Major General Richmond P. Davis Before the
R. O. C. Unit in Langdon Hall on February 22nd*

IT IS NOT my purpose today to attempt to eulogize Washington, but rather to give some incidents of his life, some of his characteristics and sayings, and saying of others, concerning him, which will be a guide and inspiration to us as we journey through our span of allotted years.

A background for the picture is found in the chronology of his life, setting forth the positions which he occupied at various ages. A consideration of this chronology confirms the opinion expressed by a biographer as follows:

"To survey his sixty-seven years, it seems as if so much had never happened to any other man; certainly no American's life has been more crowded with extreme events—actions and reflection galloping abreast through cities and wilderness, battles and councils, dealing with a motley throng of foreign noblemen, native neighbors, wrangling statesmen, starving soldiers, Indian chiefs, and negro slaves."

Chronology

	Age
Born in Westmoreland County, Virginia, in 1732. Westmoreland County, Frederickburg, and Mount Vernon -----	1-14
Surveyor for Lord Fairfax--	16
Public Surveyor -----	17
Major of Militia (Inspector)	19
Adjutant General of Militia	20
Diplomatic mission to French and Indians -----	21
Lieut. Colonel of Militia—	
Campaign against French	22
Aide to General Braddock--	23
Military mission to New York and Boston -----	24
Resigned the service and married -----	26
Elected to House of Burgesses--	27
Commissioner for Colony of Virginia -----	33
Mission to Ohio -----	38
Member of Virginia Convention on relations -----	42

Member of Continental Congress	42
Commander-in-Chief of Colonial Forces -----	43
With the Army ----- until	51
To the Western Country-----	52

Died at Mount Vernon ----- 67

It will be observed that after the age of seventeen he was in the public service, he lived on country estates in Virginia as a member of the landed proprietors, who corresponded to the aristocracy of England.

There were in Virginia at that time three distinct classes of society—the landed proprietors, who controlled and lived much as the gentry on landed estates in England; the small land-holders and other freemen, who came from indentured servants imported from England; and the slaves.

Washington Was Human

"Washington was no meteoric phenomenon falling into a family unheralded from the sky, but very much the reverse, a consistent continuance of the family pattern, precisely the kind of crop to be expected from former harvests; soldiers who are knighted for valor, preachers who stick to their principles, come what may,—are not such precedents the very elements and fibre of George Washington? He was their obvious, proper child, moulded large at birth; and into his strong grasp was put a greater opportunity. In this coincidence lies the simple explanation of the man."

This controlling class of Virginians was against the public school system and educated their children in private schools; in most cases sending them back to England for finishing.

Owing to circumstances not under the control of his family, Washington was denied the privilege of a finishing abroad; his high school education was limited to certain private schools, his finishing was obtained by contact with men and nature.

There are more than five hundred biographies of Washington, and the story of his life is to be found in many languages. It has been said that no
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MAJ. GEN. RICHMOND P. DAVIS
Commanding Fourth Corps Area

President Constitutional Convention -----	55
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Commander-in-Chief of the Armies of the United States -----	66

DEAN GEORGE PETRIE

Dean Petrie Organized and Coached Auburn's First Football Team Which Defeated the University of Georgia

DURING his 41 years of service as a member of the faculty at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Dean George Petrie has been importantly connected with the development of the college. In addition to his work as professor of history and dean of graduate studies, he is really the founder of athletics at Auburn.

In 1892, he organized and coached Auburn's first football team which defeated Georgia 10 to 0 in Atlanta on the 29th of February, 1892. Dean Petrie still maintains an active interest in sports of all kinds. However, golf has now taken the place of football and he thoroughly knows and enjoys the game. In golf ability he ranks with the first two or three on the roster of the local country club.

As a graduate student at Johns Hopkins, where he received his doctorate in 1892, he learned about football, the knowledge of which he brought to the Auburn campus the following year. Four years previously he graduated from the University of Virginia with a Master of Arts degree. In 1923, the L.L.D. degree was conferred upon him by the University of Alabama.

Since 1891, he has been a professor at Auburn. He became dean of the graduate school in 1908. He is a member of the American Historical Association, the Alabama Education Association, and of the Alabama History Teachers Association, of which he was president in 1915. Doctor Petrie is the contributor of articles to "*Historic Towns of Southern States*," and "*Cyclopedia of Southern Literature*" and to various educational journals. He edited three series of "*Alabama Polytechnic Institute Studies in Southern History*" and was a joint author of the Mace-Petrie,

"*American School History*." He has given lecture courses at the George Peabody College for Teachers, Johns Hopkins, the University of Virginia, and the University of Chicago.

Dean Petrie saw the advantage of

current issues, which are not only very informing but intensely interesting.

A subtle humor is highly developed with Doctor Petrie, so that no talk with him is dull; yet seriousness does in no means alter his facility for entertaining.

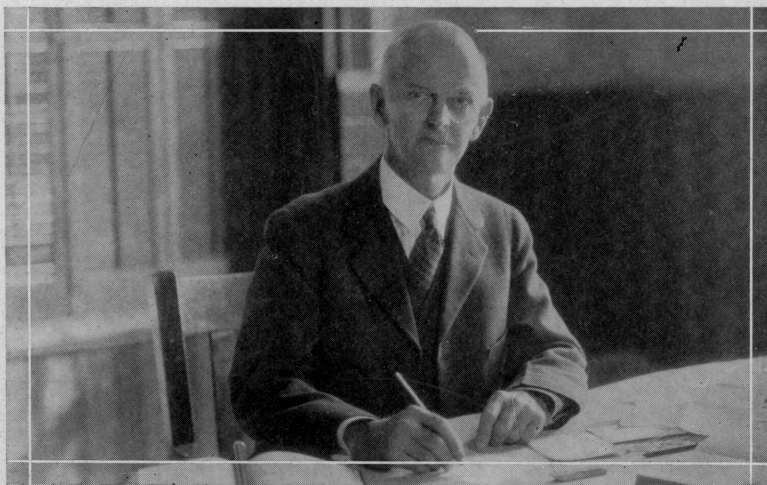
Among the interesting articles and publications written by Doctor Petrie is a bulletin, "Comments on Current Events," issued in 1927. This booklet has received very favorable comment and has proved to be much in demand by those who are interested in current topics of the day. The bulletin is a compilation of articles written for his classes and published weekly in the Montgomery

Advertiser. Doctor Petrie keeps the public informed on current topics of the day not only in his classroom work, but with his talks over radio station WAPI and through extension courses. Doctor Petrie has received numbers of complimentary letters from all over the South in response to his radio comments.

Doctor Petrie was a charter member of the Auburn Bicycle Club, which in the early nineties was the real beginning of recreation and athletics at Auburn.

This club constructed a bicycle path between Auburn and Opelika but for some reason it was not satisfactory and another one was built from the Agricultural building leading to Wright's mill, a distance of six miles. Auburn students know the popularity of the path now for hiking.

Keep the *Alumnus* on your mailing list and give us any information that would interest Auburn men. This would include outstanding achievements, honors, changes of address, news of marriages, birth or deaths among the alumni everywhere.



DEAN GEORGE PETRIE

Dean of Graduate studies and Head Professor of History

football at Auburn. With equal clarity, he visualized the importance of studying history. He does not uphold merely one single phase of society. He possesses the perseverance characteristic of football, and the gentle ease coming from an innate culture.

Dean Petrie probably remembers and knows by name more former Auburn men than any professor on the campus. Often he may be seen strolling over the campus with an old grad, pointing out the various improvements and changes since the days when Auburn could boast of only a few hundred students. Dean Petrie enjoys this. Many returning alumni go immediately to his office in Main Building after arriving in Auburn.

A very popular course now conducted by Dean Petrie is a class in *Current Events*, which overflows into several sections. Here the Dean interprets present day events and political trends in the light of his vast historical background. His lectures are often attended by others than those in his classes who are attracted by a desire to hear his comments on

Auburn's First Football Team

A 10 to 0 Victory Over the Georgia Bulldogs, and Participation in a Football Tournament in Atlanta Features of Auburn's Earliest Football Days

THE FIRST football game ever played by an Auburn team took place on Feb. 29, 1892 with the University of Georgia. Piedmont Park in Atlanta, Ga., was the scene of the encounter which started at 3:30 in the afternoon. The score was Auburn 10, Georgia 0. The freshman, Rufus T. Dorsey, scored the first touchdown ever made for Auburn. Doctor George Petrie, head professor of history and dean of graduate studies, organized and coached the team.

Members of the Auburn team were greeted by hundreds of people at the Union Station, into which they came

on a special train. Student supporters mothers, and other admirers accompanied the team to Atlanta on that rainy day. The lobby of the Kimball House was turned over to the college boys and they caused a near riot among the hotel guests with the noise they made yelling their support to their favored team.

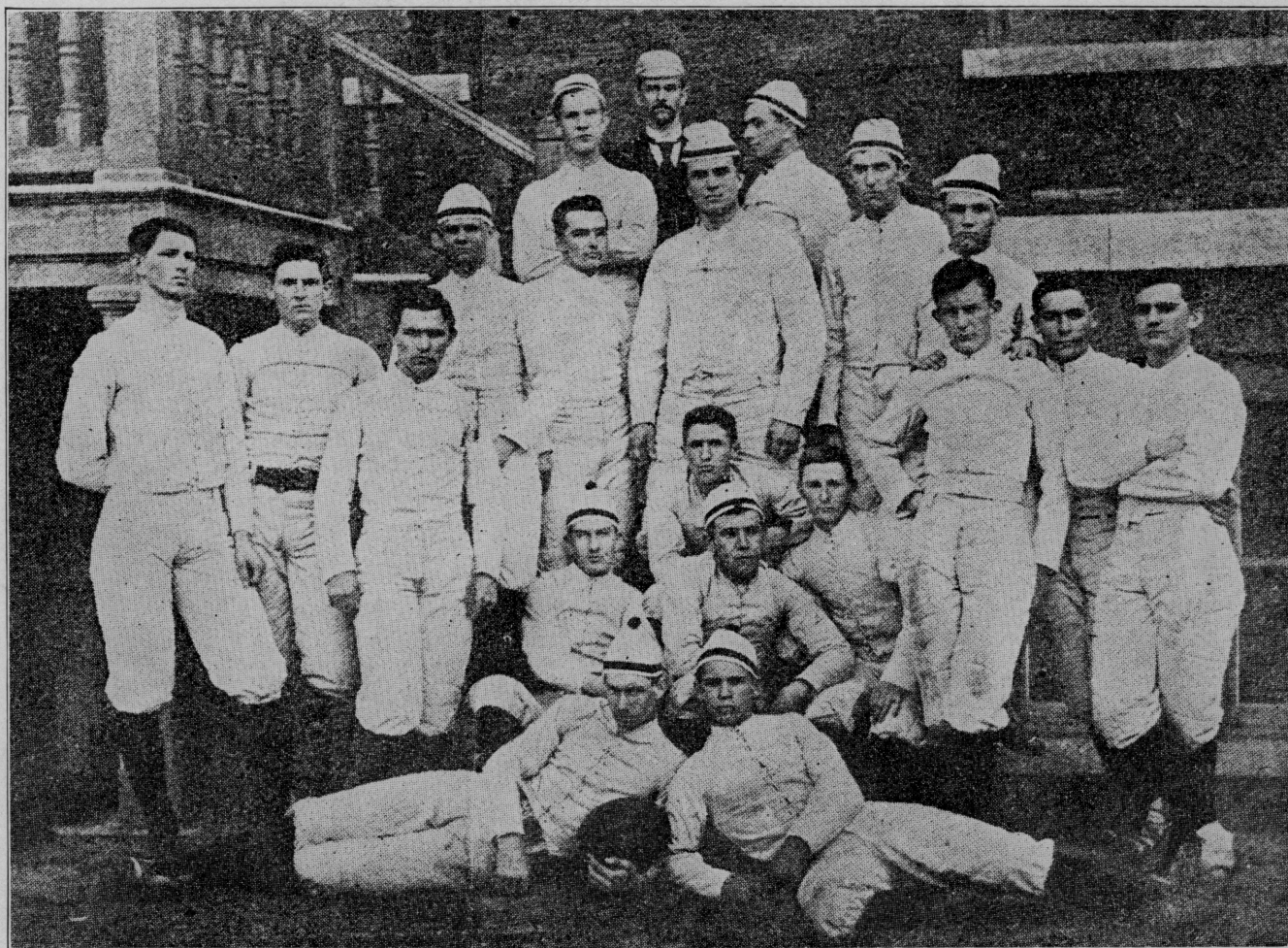
Long rows of carriages, highly decorated in recognition of the teams, formed a procession to Piedmont Park. The spectators wore armbands of ribbon, designating their preferred college.

At 3:30 the teams came on the field

decked out in thin canvas uniforms in which there was no rigid padding. They did wear Rugby caps in college colors, but these were cast aside when the game started. The only protection remaining being nose guards which many of the players wore. Helmets and proper padding were introduced later when the necessity for them was felt.

Early Football Different

The game was radically different from the football game of today. The playing period was divided into two
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AUBURN'S FIRST FOOTBALL TEAM, 1892

From left to right, Seated: First Row: Frank Lupton and "Dutch" Dorsey; Second row: Barnwell and Going; Third row: Richards and "Massey" Burton. Standing: First row: Dantzler, Herren, Harry Smith, Frank Boykin, Graves and Ed. Wilson; Second Row: Stephens, McCrea, McKissick, Culbreath and Howard Smith; Third row: Henry DeBardeleben, Dr. George Petrie, Coach, and McLendon.

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ALUMNI DAY

May 21, 1928

Program

10:00 A. M.

Presenting Coach Geo. M. Bohler.

Report, Progress and Future Plans Of Alumni Association, J. V. Brown, Executive Secretary.

Address by President-elect Bradford Knapp.

Address, President Alumni Association, Judge

Wm. H. Samford, Montgomery, Ala.

Election of officers.

1:30 P. M.

Alumni Barbecue.

2:30 P. M.

Mercer-Auburn Baseball Game.

At least 500 Auburn men should return to the Old College on the 21st of May. From present reports, it is altogether possible that this number will come and perhaps more. For on Monday, May 21st, the Auburn Alumni Association will have the opportunity of projecting an organization and program of vast importance to the institution. It is the task of every Auburn man to do his part. It's simply our responsibility, as Auburn men, to return to the Village on that day and do all that is necessary. Auburn men do not fail.

In the letter of Judge William H. Samford, alumni president, printed elsewhere in this issue, the problems confronting the Association were clearly set forth. Auburn must have the support which only an active, organized body of alumni can give. No college or university

can survive and grow without the assistance of its former students.

Consider the accomplishments of other alumni associations. Can Auburn do less than the greatest? We all know the answer. Auburn men reverence their Alma Mater as dearly as do the sons of any institution.

This being true, the first step will be one of far-sighted vision, a step worthy of Auburn men. So come back to the campus on Monday, May 21st, to formulate the plans for a united, fraternal, active alumni organization.

And besides wouldn't you like to meet many of the old classmates of yours who will be here and whom you haven't seen in years?

PRESENT STATUS OF ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

On September the first of this scholastic year a new secretary took charge of the Alumni office. During the preceding years this office has been held by several capable men who could only devote a small portion of their time to the responsibilities as secretary. For one unavoidable reason or another the work was discontinued. For all future time, without lapse it is now to be hoped that this work may steadily and uninterruptedly go forward.

The President of the Alumni Association with members of the Executive Committee in the summer of 1927 decided to appoint a part-time Executive Secretary, whose duty it should be to organize the Association, if possible, into a more active body. Now, the new secretary, with his office provided with nice furniture, a stenographer, more than three thousand addresses of Auburn men, alumni chapters reorganizing rapidly, a monthly bulletin published for all who care to pay the price, what hinders the progress of the Association?

As we glance over the pages of many alumni bulletins throughout the country we are with deep humiliation brought face to face with the fact that the great and powerful body of Auburn's alumni has long, for the most part, gone without concerted energy and purpose. There are so many things to be done for Auburn which can be done but will never be unless Auburn's men come to her rescue. Many achievements are being brought to pass by alumni of other institutions all over the country. Immediately the question arises, what is the matter with Auburn? We talk hard and long about the "Auburn Spirit," and no doubt about it, there is such a thing, but again let us ask what is it doing for Auburn? We might as well face the facts and speak out frankly. The united and reasonable support of ten thousand Auburn men would bring about the progress and development for our Alma Mater that is absolutely essential if we are to maintain our "place in the sun" among other institutions of the South.

ALUMNUS NOW A MONTHLY MAGAZINE

Though the publication of the Alumnus was revived last fall as a bi-monthly magazine following its discontinuance since 1921, it has now been decided to increase the frequency of its appearance to that of a monthly. Instead of six issues each year there will be nine, monthly during the college year, save in September, and once during the summer. We believe the Association will welcome this change. The subscription price will remain the same.

For the remainder of the semester there will be both an April and May number of the Alumnus.

STANDARD SIZE ADOPTED

With this issue the Alumnus changes to the larger size publication, 9 by 12 inches, which corresponds to that of the majority of alumni magazines throughout the United States. This larger size allows a better display of cuts and illustrations and with all we feel that the entire appearance of the magazine is improved.

Also the fact that national advertisers prefer pages of these dimensions had its weight with the editor; for, we shall partly meet the cost of publication by the sale of advertising space beginning with the next issue.

NO MORE SAMPLE COPIES

Of necessity, with this issue, the Alumnus can only be sent to those who have paid for the magazine either through their annual dues or with the subscription price of \$2.

Over 3,000 copies of the first two issues were mailed out to our entire list of alumni, approximately 3,000 being the number of correct addresses now on our files. The sample copy provision of the Postal Regulations made this possible. However, the regulations require that this cannot continue beyond a certain limit, hence the forced restriction of the circulation to subscribers. Please send in your dues or at least your subscription now so we may continue to send you the Alumnus.

THE OLD AUBURN SPIRIT

This letter came to the desk of the editor, signed by William F. Byrd, '21, of Gadsden, president of the Etowah Chapter, Auburn Alumni:

"It seems that great things are in store for Ole Auburn in the near future in every way. The men of Auburn in the Gadsden District are beginning to wake up it seems and as you say they are taking on new life in every section.

"Of course, this means well for Auburn. No school is stronger than its alumni. Personally, I think that all Auburn needs now is for the alumni to get solidly behind and success will be the reward in all phases.

"Cooperation is the word. If we can get this drilled into the head of every Alumnus of Auburn as well as the faculty and the student body, the rest will be easy.

"Our motto is "Auburn, First, Last and Always." We hope that we can move into a position in the near future where we can be of some service to you and Auburn.

Cordially yours."

Gadsden, Ala.

March 12, 1928.

LOCAL ALUMNI CHAPTERS ESSENTIAL

For Auburn men there are no associations in life more lasting or that have finer memories than those of our undergraduate days, and it is a fitting thing indeed that these memories and reminiscences should be crystalized and revived through the organization of local Alumni Chapters.

Leaving off the sentimental side, the most effective work these organizations can perform is keeping the graduates together and informed of the needs of the college, and in addition—furnishing an organized means through which alumni may aid Auburn. Since the college must look to her sons for her chief support in the future, there is no way to get this solid cooperation of its graduates unless they be moulded into a formal organization.

There is no way, it seems to me, by which the fame of a college can be spread save through its alumni who live outside the confines of the college. All will agree that the organization of Alumni Clubs in the various towns, cities and counties and states is one of the important achievements that alumni associations can perform.

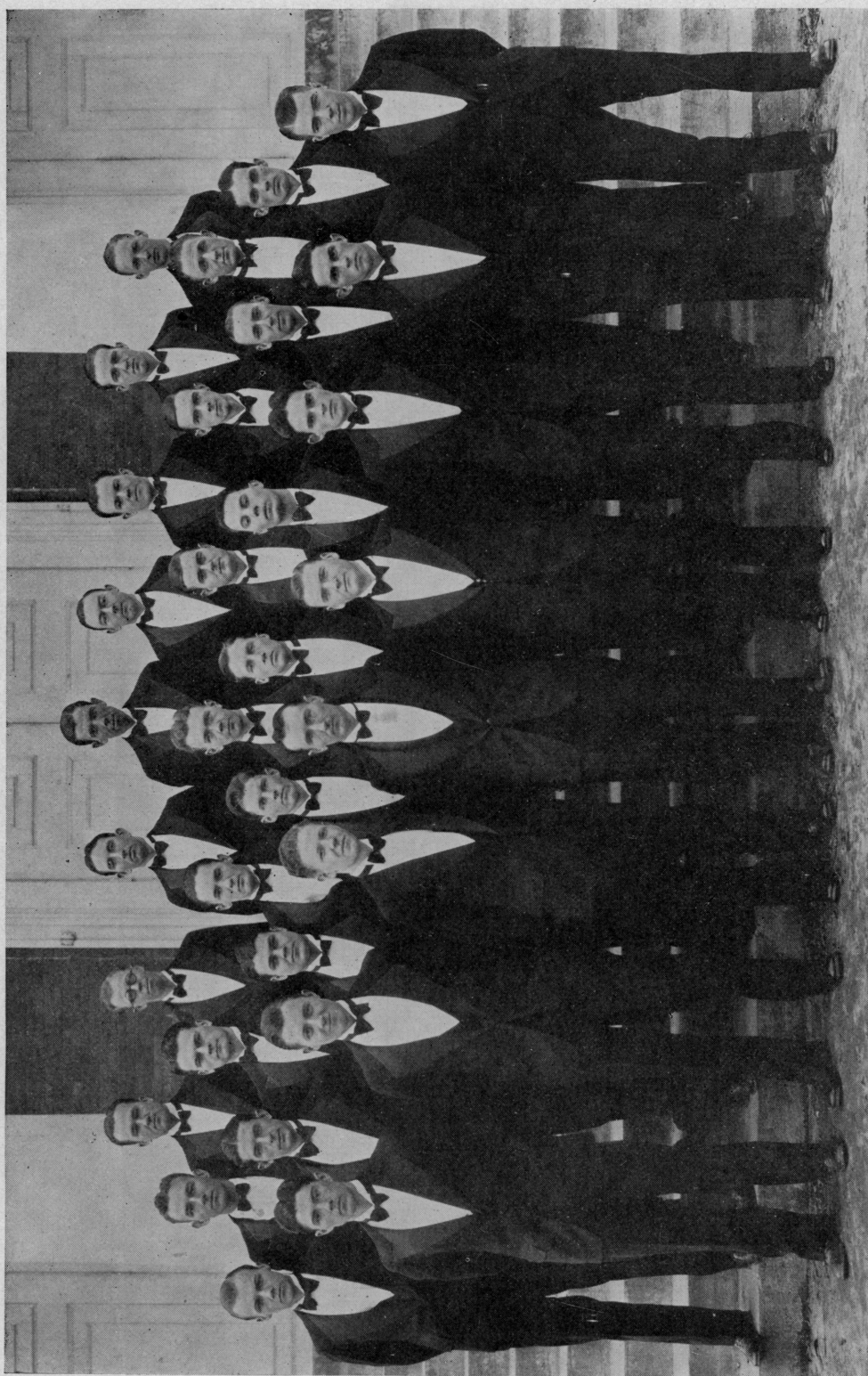
This is one of the immediate aims of the central office, and let us hope that interested alumni of Auburn everywhere will busy themselves to organize and report same to the Executive Secretary at Auburn. Note will be made of it in the Alumnus from time to time that others may get the information and follow suit.

ALUMNI RESPONSE

The substantial response, in the payment of dues by members of the Association following a circular letter sent out recently by the secretary, is highly encouraging. With the appearance of this issue of the Alumnus, which we trust will be an improvement over the other issues, we believe our subscription list will experience a decided "boost." We are hoping that this increase will be of sufficient magnitude that we may meet the requirements of the Postal Regulations for admission of the magazine to the mails as second-class matter.

Authorities in Washington state that the second class rating can only be given the magazine when a significant demand for it is evidenced by a reasonable number of subscribers. At present our subscribers number 720. If we can add even two hundred names before the April issue is off the press we feel that the second-class rating will be granted.

Won't you aid this effort of Auburn's Alumni Association in re-establishing its official magazine? Use the subscription blank on page 34.



1928 GLEE CLUB

The above group compose the Chorus of the Glee Club. The members are, from left to right: 1st row: Jerry Feagin, C. L. Cansler, V. O. Durratt, C. J. Tidwell, E. J. Chambliss, J. N. Crump, Ludwig Smith, I. W. Jones; 2nd row: W. C. Ellis, J. G. Green, I. Roth, L. E. Owen, H. E. Lewis, G. B. Stone, V. C. Helms, W. C. McKinnon; 3rd row: C. R. LeCroy, W. W. Bryant, W. H. Jones, G. L. Williamson, R. P. McKinnon, C. R. Moore, J. H. Price; 4th row: C. E. Howell, R. E. Martin, V. T. Vines, A. V. Culpepper, A. P. Francis, Ben Rives, Jr., G. F. Crawford, T. J. Hendrix.

THE 1928 GLEE CLUB

The Auburn Glee Club made a tour of the northern section of the state, giving concerts at Anniston, Talladega, Montevallo and Montgomery during the week of March 5 to 10, and in Auburn, Opelika and Columbus during the week of March 12 to 17. The Auburn musicians are meeting with much success this year under the direction of P. R. Bidez, who has long developed excellent Glee Clubs at Auburn.

The chorus is made up of twenty-nine musicians, all of whom are accomplished and talented. In addition to the chorus, Max Jones' Collegians and the Mandolin Club have parts on the program. Max Jones' orchestra, the Collegians, have already won for themselves wide fame not only in the state, but in the South. The Mandolin Club has also found a popular place on the Glee Club program.

The club has an attractive and varied program. Three vocal solos and several instrumental solos are also given. Two selections, one entitled, "Popular Airs" and one called "Bits of Harmony" are rendered by the Mandolin Club.

A trip through the Southern portion of the state is planned for April.

Are you sure the alumni office has your correct address? If not send it in. A complete file of all Auburn men is being compiled.

PRESIDENT DOWELL'S FATHER DIES

President Dowell was called to Raleigh, N. C., March 2, to attend the funeral of his father, Rev. George J. Dowell, 80. The funeral was held Saturday in Raleigh from the First Baptist Church, of which Rev. Dowell was a member.

For more than fifty years, Rev. Dowell was an active Baptist minister holding pastorates at Lumberton, Wilmington, Durham and Carthage, N. C.

Rev. Dowell is survived by his wife, and the following children besides President Spright Dowell: Mrs. Roland F. Beasley, Monroe, N. C.; Mrs. M. C. Jenkins, of Jacksonville, Fla.; Miss Patsy Dowell, Newton, N. C.; William Dowell, of Birmingham; Mrs. Rufus Coburn, Raleigh, N. C.; and Yates Dowell, Washington, D. C.

Make your plans to attend the Alumni Meeting at Commencement, May 21. Important issues will be decided at that time.

NOTES FROM THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

By B. L. SHI, '04

The total enrollment for this year is 1611 which is 22 less than that of the session 1926-'27, the largest in the history of the institution. There are

133 women and 1478 men. The enrollment by classes and courses for the last three years is:

CLASSES:	1925-'26	1926-'27	1927-'28
Freshmen	519	573	498
Sophomores	418	419	435
Juniors	298	320	324
Seniors	256	268	303
Fifth year	—	3	2
Graduates	17	24	17
Specials	42	26	32
	1550	1633	1611

COURSES:	1925-'26	1926-'27	1927-'28
General	252	291	270
Chemistry	54	67	77
Premedical	33	29	38
Pharmacy	64	46	36
Education	129	159	162
Agr. Education	119	141	170
Agriculture	95	72	72
Home Economics	51	63	59
Architecture	62	76	77
Arch. Engineering	36	37	29
Civil and High. Engr.	173	179	150
Elec. Engineering	353	347	337
Mech. Engineering	114	110	117
Veterinary Medicine	15	16	17

Nineteen states and three foreign countries are represented. From Alabama there are 1420. Georgia has a delegation of 88 and from Florida have come 42 students. Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee have 10 each and North Carolina is next in order with 8. Twelve states are represented by from 1 to 5 students. The foreign countries represented at Auburn are Mexico, Guatemala and Germany.

Freshman Scholarship

College work is a more difficult "job" than is generally realized. About 33% of an entering freshman class graduate in the normal four-year period.

Approximately ten per cent of the students are out of college each year when the second semester begins. The greatest number of withdrawals

naturally come from the freshman and sophomore classes and the principal causes for dropping out are failures in work, shortage of funds and health conditions. A considerable number of those who drop out return later. Seventy former students came back this year to resume their studies and to work toward graduation.

Only about 47% of Auburn freshmen trained in Alabama high schools pass every subject of study during the first semester in college. Statistics on freshmen entering since 1924 show that graduates of the State Secondary Agricultural Schools have made the best record. Next in order come graduates of the city schools.

For the four-year period 1924-'28 the percentages of freshmen passing all subjects and classified by types of high schools in Alabama are as follows:

Types of School	Percentage who passed all subjects			
	1924-'25	1925-'26	1926-'27	1927-'28
County High Schools	42%	44.7%	45.7%	56. %
State Sec. Agr. Schools	60%	55.5%	60. %	56.5%
Rural Schools	42%	40. %	40.8%	40. %
Private Schools	48%	26. %	32.5%	30. %
City High Schools	51%	54. %	53.8%	53. %
All Alabama Schools	46%	47. %	47.8%	48. %

NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

Because of resignations and additions to the teaching staff in several departments during the current session thirty-six new teachers and officers have been employed this year. Many colleges and universities are represented by these members of the faculty. Five received their graduate training at Chicago, two each at Columbia, Michigan, North Carolina and Iowa State College. Other institutions represented are Western Reserve, Oklahoma A. & M., Baylor, Florida, Cornell, Harvard, Missouri and the U. S. Military Academy.

When classified by degrees, it is noted that five of the new men hold the Ph.D. degree, nine the Master's, five a Professional, and twelve the Bachelor's degree.

Among the teachers and officers added to the staff of the College this session are the following:

ECONOMICS: John Winfield Scott, A. B., Fairmont; M. A. Texas; Ph.D., Chicago, Dean of Academic Faculty and Head Department of Economics; W. B. England, A. B., Western Reserve; Orin E. Burley, B. S., Oklahoma A. & M., Instructors.

ENGLISH: Leo G. Gosser, B. S., Kirksville, Missouri, State Teachers' College; Ph.D., Chicago, Associate Professor. Warren E. Bower, A. B., Hillsdale; A. M., Michigan; and A. D. Butler, A. B., North Carolina; Instructors. C. K. Brown, B. S., Baylor and Graduate Student, Yale; Publicity Director and Instructor in Journalism.

MATHEMATICS: Ralph Douglas Doner, B. S., Chicago; M. S. and Ph.D., Illinois; and Duncan Claire Harkin, A. B., and M. A., West Virginia; Ph.D., Chicago; Associate Professors; Lofton Leroy Garner, B. A., M.A., North Carolina; and Z. M. Pirenian, B. S., Ch. E., Florida; Instructors.

PHYSICS: Walter Kinkaid, B. S., Allegheny; M. A., Cornell; Instructor.

MILITARY SCIENCE AND TACTICS: C. P. Townsley and G. B. Barth, U. S. Military Academy; First Lieutenants, F. A., Assistant Professors.

ARCHITECTURE: Ben Wyatt, Tullane and Michigan; Chas. J. Snook, Bach. of Arch., Auburn; R. B. Marsh, B. S., Auburn; F. B. Ledbetter, B. S., Auburn; Instructors.

CHEMISTRY: George M. Keller, B. S., Auburn; Instructor.

EXTENSION TEACHING—EDUCATION: J. L. Archer, A. B., Ohio University, A. M. Columbia, Associate Professor.

HONOR ROLL

First semester 1927-28

GRADE "A" (90 or above) in EVERY SUBJECT)

Name	Class	Guardian	Home
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C. D. Bradley	Jr. EE	Mr. B. M. Bradley	Anniston
Eloise Floyd	Jr. Ed.	Mr. C. M. Floyd	Auburn
A. P. Francis	Sr. ME	Mr. T. M. Francis	Birmingham
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Ruth Murray	Fr. PM	Mr. J. M. Murray	Mobile
Celeste Nesbitt	Sr. H. Ec.	T. M. Nesbitt	Birmingham
H. A. Snow	Sr. EE	J. A. Snow	Birmingham

GRADE "A" (90-100 in every subject except one)

Frank E. Carlton	Sr. EE	Mr. F. E. Carlton	Birmingham
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M. S. Kestler	Sr. Gen.	Mr. C. A. Kestler	Manila, P. I.
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J. C. Townsend, Jr.	Sr. EE	Mr. J. C. Townsend	Marion
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ENGINEERING: A. C. Barrow, C. E., A.B., Wesleyan (Ky.); Instructor in Civil Engineering; Y. A. Elizondo, B. S., M. E., Auburn; Instructor Mechanical Engineering; W. O. Schubert, Instructor in Mechanical Engineering; Forney H. Ingram, B. S., Auburn; Instructor in Drawing.

HORTICULTURE: Olin C. Medlock, B. S., Auburn; M. S., Michigan; Assistant Professor.

VETERINARY MEDICINE: M. W. Emmel, D. V. M., Iowa State; Instructor.

ATHLETICS: James Vandiver Brown, B. S., and M. S., Auburn; LL.D., Howard Payne; Director of Athletics and Alumni Secretary.

ANIMAL INDUSTRY: William Clyde Taylor, B. S., Auburn; Instructor.

HISTORY: Sidney W. Johnson, Jr. B. S., and M. S., Auburn, Instructor.

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE: Charles Wesley Edwards, B. S., Auburn; M. A. Harvard; Statistician.

EXPERIMENT STATION: N. B. Guarrant, Ph.D., Missouri; and I. M. Hays, D.V.M., Iowa State; Research.

AUBURN TEACHERS IN ALABAMA

An incomplete survey conducted by Mr. C. W. Edwards, Statistician shows that 264 Auburn trained teachers are engaged in educational work in Alabama this year. They are classified as follows:

Colleges not including Auburn	6
Normal Schools	3
State Department of Education	4
County Superintendents	5
City Superintendents	9
High School Principals	50
High School Teachers	177
Grammar School Tchrs. and Prin.	7

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ATHLETICS



WHAT WE MAY EXPECT IN BASEBALL

COACH "Slick" Moulton, '26, has been putting his entire squad through vigorous practice for the past three weeks, though the battery men began limbering up in February.

With one of the toughest schedules ever undertaken by an Auburn baseball team facing them, the Tiger baseball artists are going through strenuous training daily in an effort to round out a team that will make the best teams in Dixie take notice. Under the leadership of Captain Ebb James and the supervision of Coach "Slick" Moulton, the Plainsmen are expecting to make another strong fight for the Southern Championship. Last season the Tigers had the best team in the Conference, judging by the season's average. With a majority of last year's veterans back this year and many good players coming up from the freshmen, Auburn supporters are very optimistic over the outcome of the race this season.

Team Well-Balanced

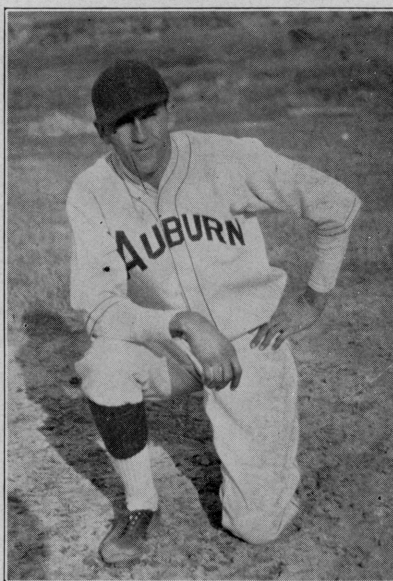
The team this year is well-balanced with both right and left-handed batters. The best defense is said to be a good offense, and the team this year will be exceptionally strong in batting power. Coach Moulton asserts that there is enough material now out to make not one, but two good college teams. At present at least forty men are out. These are divided into two groups, one group using the drill field for practice, and the other using the regular diamond.

Much Hitting Practice

Almost continual hitting practice is the order of the day on both fields. Coach "Slick" is training the team this year under the assumption that the way to learn to play baseball is to play baseball, and with this idea in mind he is planning to have at least three practice games a week.

The team is to play 24 conference games and eight non-conference encounters this season. The reason for such a large number is that the more conference games played the better our percentage will likely be, as we in-

By George Ashcraft, '29



COACH E. R. "Slick" MOULTON

tend to win a large proportion of them.

The batterymen have been out for over four weeks and are now in good condition. There are no sore arms in the bunch in spite of the cold weather we have been experiencing lately. The remainder of the squad answered the call about the first of the month, and have been hard at it ever since. They are working under a plan whereby they work their legs on cold days and their arms on warm

days. This is a big factor in preventing soreness.

Number of Veterans Back

The defense of the team this year should be very good. Four varsity and four freshmen pitchers are returning to the squad. The varsity men returning are Wood, McGhee, Potter, and Lee, and the freshmen coming up are Stoutenborough, Kennedy, Plant, and Hall. Captain Ebb James will catch again this year, and should enjoy a big season. A scramble for second-string catchers will most likely develop between Alverson, Booth, Wright, and Pomeroy. For the first base position Fob James is returning. He catches from the port side, and is about the best first baseman in the conference. Sledge and Jones are two others who play first base. Smith, Ward, and Dick Jones will battle it out for the second base position. Ben Sankey is back again to play shortstop. He looks like the best shortstop the South has produced since Joe Sewell. This is his third and last year on the squad, and he should have a great season. Lester is another who plays the hot position. With a veteran at both first and short the infield is balanced up mighty well. Two men from the squad of last year are out for third, these being Gilchrist and Currie. Gilchrist is also the manager of the team for the coming season.

The 1928 schedule follows:

March 23-24—Fort Benning	at Fort Benning, Ga.
March 26—Montgomery Lions	"A" Day, at Auburn
March 28—Selma Cloverleafs	at Selma
March 30—Tulane	at Auburn
March 31—Tulane	at Montgomery
April 2-3—Clemson	at Auburn
April 9-10—Georgia	at Auburn
April 11-12—Florida	at Auburn
April 13-14—Fort Benning	at Auburn
April 16-17—Georgia Tech	at Auburn
April 20-21—Georgia Tech	at Atlanta
April 26-27-28—Florida	at Panama City, Fla.
May 2-3—Clemson	at Clemson
May 4—South Carolina	at Columbia, S. C.
May 7-8—Georgia	at Athens
May 11-12—South Carolina	at Auburn
May 18-19—Vanderbilt	at Nashville
May 21-22—Mercer	at Auburn

Auburn Loses Championship by Point

POTENT TWINS!

If I was a basket team,
 Boy, I would be wary
 Of those Phillips from 'Ole Miss
 That Cary and that Ary!
 And, too, I'd try to keep away
 From that awful job
 Of battling Auburn and them James—
 That Ebb and that Fob!

Hard on a Faithful Old Heart

This one-point business is beginning to tell on my usually faithful and ordinarily uncomplaining heart. Hereafter I'm going to request athletic ensembles that I'm pulling for to either win or get licked by margins of from ten to twenty points. Within three years I've seen two national football titles and one southern basketball championship hinging on the altogether too nerve-wrecking margin of a single counter. The strain is getting something awful.

Over at Atlanta Tuesday night Auburn's brilliant basketeers were nosed out of a title that had seemed a few moments before to be theirs hands down. A brave band of Mississippians roared up from behind and closed a 10-point gap in five minutes and took a 1-point lead. Never have native Alabamians pulled harder on foreign soil than the loyal band in Atlanta pulled for just one more field goal from the fighting and weary Plainsmen. Prayers were said in the stands as Auburn and Alabama men alike caught their breath between dribbles. "Just one, Jelly; just one, Fob," yelled Auburn students and alumni, many with tears standing out prominently in their eyes and not a few with tears streaming down their cheeks.

The field goal didn't arrive but don't get it into your head that those Auburn lads quit on the job. There was not a moment in that stirring floor drama that the lads from the Plains weren't carrying on. Footsore and tired from the strain of three previous nerve-straining battles, they fought with every ounce of strength their weary bodies could muster. But the one-point lead of Ole Miss stood up. There was drama in those closing moments. A sight that will not soon be forgotten by those who looked on.

Many Students Witness

A word about the loyal band of student supporters. Never has the

By HOWARD E. PILL
Sports Writer Alabama Journal

famed Auburn spirit been more in evidence than in the stands at Atlanta Tuesday night. With Charlie Dudley, old Tiger cheer leader and floor star, leading them on, the Au-

This splendid presentation of the Conference Tournament in Atlanta appeared in Mr. Pill's "Time Out", column of the Alabama Journal recently. Mr. Pill was the only sports writer, coming to the attention of the editor, who favored Auburn to win the tournament. Because of this kindly boosting and the interest shown by Mr. Pill in all of Auburn's teams, we are very glad to pass on to the alumni this capable comment on the tournament.—Editor.

burn students, the majority of whom had employed the usual college lads' means of transportation to get there, never once let down in their vocal efforts. They cheered just as hard when the Tiger was trailing as before. When the championship had slipped away they poured onto the floor and lifted high their plucky team. "They're our babies still," they shouted. And afterwards, Atlantans who hadn't attended the battle but who were drawing conclusions from the racket being made, thought Auburn had won. The Auburn spirit was flaming as of old.

Twins on Both Teams

There is little to choose between the two sets of twins who played such stellar roles in Tuesday night's battle for the Dixie cage crown. The Phillips boys, of Ole Miss, and the James boys, of Auburn, all are just about as fine hardwood performers as there are to be found in these grand and glorious United States. Cool, steady, aggressive, swift, sturdy, and never-tiring, they—all four of them—are perfect examples of what a great basketball player ought to be.

The Phillips are small, slim youngsters who skip about the court with the grace and the sureness of ballet dancers. Cary being the deadliest. The Ole Miss boys feed 'em to Cary.

And Cary immediately chews 'em up and digests 'em. Ary is a past master at working the ball up the floor, his speed and elusiveness serving him in good stead in his sallies towards the opponent's goal. Ebb James is even better at this than Ary though not quite so fast. At handling the ball neither the Phillips lads nor anybody else I've seen can equal the handsome Lee county twins.

Jelly Akin

Jelly Akin's true worth as goal flinger was demonstrated against Ole Miss. The lanky youth rang the bell for field goals seven times, despite some of the fanciest guarding ever bestowed upon a cage star, Ole Miss uniforms were all over him on almost every shot, but Jelly merely took less time to aim and fired away.

His over-anxiety—a fault which hampered the Plainsmen greatly in the early moments Tuesday night—was responsible for him missing at least ten other baskets. Jelly's running mate, Buck Ellis, turned in the finest floor game I've ever seen come from a forward in the final game. His marksmanship was bad but his footwork was brilliant. Buck fought his very heart out. Golly, how that boy battled.

Free Goals Missed

Pop Patterson told me one of the reasons the Tigers had such tough times with Clemson and Tech in their first two games of the tournament, both of which were won by Auburn with a lone point to spare. Auburn was not dropping her free throws following enemy fouls.

"Auburn got down only three foul tries out of eleven against Clemson," said Pop, "and only four out of thirteen against Tech. If they had even broken fifty-fifty on these shots the margins of victory would have been much more comfortable than they were." Precious few were missed Tuesday night, however, by either team. After an Ole Miss player dubbed the first free throw of the game at the start, it was well into the second half before either club missed another free heave.

Tournament Idea Bad

As remarked in this column a week or so ago, I still do not think a tournament the proper way to decide a
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OUR ATHLETIC FUTURE

By Max E. Kahn '28
Plainsman Sports Editor

Contrary to the expectations of most Auburn supporters, the future of this fair college, athletically, right now is considerably lighter than in the past eight or nine years. The year 1928 has just started. Yes, and Auburn has started the year off by having her basketballers fight their way to the finals in the S. I. C. basket ball tourney, lead the conference in records with a summary of 20 triumphs out of 22 tilts—losing these two games by a total of only two points. Add to that the fact that two Auburn players, DuBose and Akin, were placed on the mythical all-Southern five.

Nothing but basket ball! No! Well, how can you win the track or baseball championship before the seasons arrive? Give the lads a chance and such a chance as they have. The track outfit should be one of the best ever developed in the "Fairest Village" and the diamond artists under the tutelage of "Slick" Moulton should retain the baseball championship won last year.

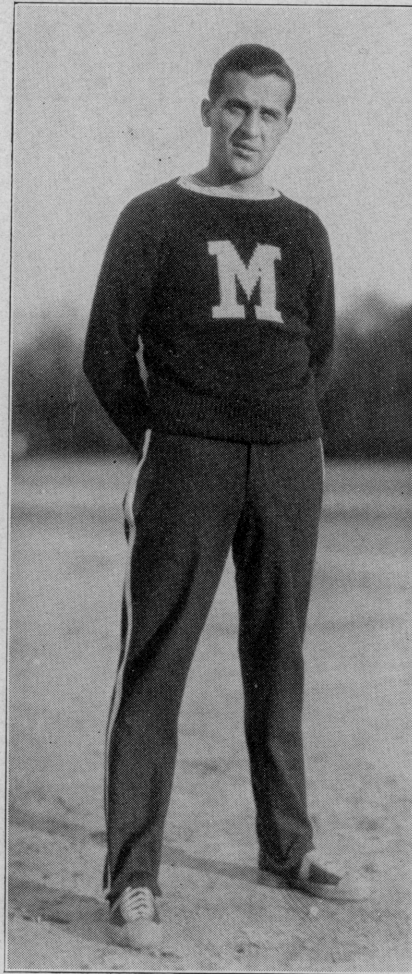
Then the big show will open in the hectic month of September. Auburn is not expected to win the football championship next season. No! Not that! But take a hint and believe a bit of it. Auburn's eleven will win at least half of the games played next fall.

And by the next season Bohler will have taught his methods and fundamentals. Then scatter and watch the Tigers' dust. Unless several prominent anticipators expectations are all the bunk, Auburn will once more rise to the heights formerly held on the gridiron. Coach Bohler will assume full charge this month and the big climb will be on. Let's go Tigers.

1910 ALUMNUS PLEASED
AT COMING OF COACH
BOHLER

"Saw Coach Bohler not long ago and watched his team beat Millsap. He is going to be a great addition to Auburn." This was the statement of Dr. A. L. Young, professor psychology and education at Mississippi Delta State Teachers College, Cleveland, Miss., in writing to his brother, W. A. Young '25, of Auburn. The latter Mr. Young is the announcer and assistant manager of Auburn's broadcasting station WAPI.

AUBURN'S SUCCESSFUL COACH



COACH A. P. PAPKE

Coach A. P. Papke came to the village of the plains from Middlebury, Vermont, in 1925, but no one would ever suspect that he had been at Auburn only three years. He has, in spite of his reserved nature, acquired the Auburn custom of always speaking.

Coach Mike Papke's popularity lies fundamentally in his personality; his ability as a coach, however, could hardly be second. For three years, Mr. Papke has been building a basketball team that this year lost the championship of the South by only one point. Regardless of this unlucky break which cost the championship, Auburn students feel that there is no better basketball team than that directed by Coach Papke this year. He gave Auburn the most successful basketball year in the history of the college.

Coach Papke is admired unanimously at Auburn, by the team, students and faculty; and this, with his thorough competency in basketball, makes him a prominent personage.

BASKETBALL A'S ARE
AWARDED

The Athletic Council awarded letters in basketball upon the recommendation of Coach A. P. Papke to the following: Fob James, captain, Ebb James, Louie James, Buck Ellis, Jelly Akin, Frank DuBose, Moon Mullins, Luke Smith, and E. G. Salter, manager.

RESULTS OF SEASON

Following is the schedule with scores of all games played by the 1928 Basket-ball team.

Date	Opponent and Their Score	Auburn Score and Place Played
Dec. 17—	Montgomery Y. M. C. A. (12)	(38) Auburn
Jan. 5—	White Business College (13)	(92) Auburn
Jan. 7—	Ga. Tech (29)	(56) Auburn
	Southern College (18)	(51) Auburn
	13—U. of Florida (23)	(39) At Gainesville
	14—U. of Florida (33)	(43) At Gainesville
	18—Clemson (26)	(56) Auburn
	19—Clemson (23)	(30) Auburn
	20—U. of Tennessee (14)	(63) Auburn
	27—Tulane (17)	(32) At New Orleans
	28—Tulane (31)	(49) At New Orleans
Feb. 1—	Vanderbilt (28)	(62) Auburn
	3—U. of Georgia (25)	(28) Auburn
	9—Georgetown U. (25)	(41) Auburn
	10—Ole Miss (43)	(42) Auburn
	11—Ole Miss (38)	(53) Auburn
	18—U. of Florida (32)	(58) Auburn
	22—U. of Florida (29)	(38) Auburn
Conference Tournament:		
	24—Clemson (26)	(27) Atlanta
	25—Ga. Tech (29)	(30) Atlanta
	26—Miss. A. & M. (36)	(42) Atlanta
	27—Ole Miss (31)	(30) Atlanta

Letters From The Alumni

From Charles F. DeBardeleben, '94

I have just received a copy of the Auburn Alumnus for February and hasten to congratulate you on the publication. It is decidedly the best publication I have seen and if this good work is kept up it will unquestionably prove of great interest and value to the alumni and will eventually do more towards getting the alumni again interested in the school than any publication that could be gotten out.

It is certainly amazing to me to see how few have paid their dues. I suggest that you get out some personal letters to those who have not paid and emphasize strongly that there will be a homecoming of the alumni at commencement at which time the alumni officers will be elected. Certainly all the alumni will want to qualify so as to be able to vote on these officers and this should go a long ways towards stimulating the delinquent ones to pay up.

I am in hopes of being able to run down and pay you a visit as soon as your spring football practice gets under way. Had a very pleasant visit a few days ago from Coach Bohler and enjoyed his visit very much.

With kindest personal regards and wishing you much success, I am

Very truly yours,
Birmingham, Ala.
February 27, 1928.

From W. H. Appleton, '22

Dear Mr. Brown:—

Inclosed you will find my check for \$5.00 to pay my Alumni dues. I have been intending to send this to you for several weeks, but have delayed doing so for no good reasons. Things seem to be getting better as far as the Auburn spirit is concerned in the various parts of the state, and I don't see how one can get pepped up as much as one should in that respect without paying Alumni dues.

Yours very truly,
57-Clitheral Ave. Montgomery, Ala.

Are you sure the alumni office has your correct address? If not send it in. A complete file of all Auburn men is being compiled. Within the near future we hope to publish an up-to-date alumni register.

From L. M. Hollingsworth, '22

I received the copy of the Alumnus and enjoyed reading it very much and I am sure that every alumnus will appreciate its continuance.

Since graduating in 1922, I spent two years as teacher of vocational agriculture and since have been county agent here in Opelika. I have a boy 18 months old and I am planning to send him to Auburn and make a football player out of him.

If at any time I can be of service to you, I shall be glad to do so.

Very truly yours.
Opelika, Ala.
March 8, 1928.

J. R. Davis writes of the Gadsden meeting:

"The local Auburn alumni association held a lively meeting last night. The "old Auburn spirit" was very much in evidence. We made definite plans to enroll every alumnus that we can in this section including the nearby towns. . . . We pledge you loyal support and cooperation.

"The officers elected for our chapter are: William Byrd, '21, president; J. R. Davis, '23, secretary and treasurer."

Gadsden, Ala.
Feb. 27, 1928

From T. G. Bush, Jr., '99

I enjoyed reading the Alumnus very much, and am enclosing \$2.00 for one subscription.

I have working with me Ernest (Clabber) Williams, who was Auburn's champion place kicker. I offered to send him to Bohler for spring practice of a week, if Bohler felt that Williams could be of any service to him in teaching his men to place kick.

Bohler may not remember this, so I am calling it to your attention.

Sincerely,
Chattanooga, Tenn.,
March 6, 1928.

AUBURN GRADS SEND WAPI CONGRATULATIONS

"While lost in the Everglades" two former Auburn students tuned in on the program broadcast by the local radio station, WAPI, upon the second birthday anniversary of the station.

One of the boys, who finished here in 1927 with a Master's degree, wrote

to Mr. W. A. Young telling of the delightful reception of the program, including the report of the last Auburn-Florida basketball game.

The letter was written on the stationery of the El Verano Hotel, West Palm Beach, Fla., which carried a picture of the hotel from across the corner of the "Beautiful Lake Worth" and showing the palms along Flager Drive. The letter—

West Palm Beach, Fla.
Box 3365
Thursday Nite (2/23/28)

Dear Bill,

Last nite I had the thrill of my life, when I heard you in your second birthday anniversary program. You probably knew that Pete McIntyre '26, and I are on an island in the heart of the Everglades, eight miles from the nearest road, so you can imagine our greatest pleasure in hearing you.

We picked you up while calling the Fla.-Auburn game, and I got it so plain and clear that in my excitement I thought that I would "fall out of the balcony of the Gym," and more than once I detected the odor of the sweat shirts of the players. Later the sacred tune of "Old Glory" made my heart stand still. I heard you use the good name of Florida in vain—or some real estate gossip, that you had 17 boys there, poor boys but good boys, and the very pleasing, "Auburn 38, Fla. 29."

I often think of the best of days when you and I were blowing in the famous Auburn Band, and live them over again.

Pete and I are well pleased and working hard. Give my best to all of the friends and congratulations on the fine announcing.

Sincerely,
Jim Naftel, '26

Here's to you, Pete and Jim, and hoping that you will hear many times during the baseball season that the Tigers are still coming out with their share of the long end of the scores.—The Plainsman.

Keep the Alumnus on your mailing list and give us any information that would interest Auburn men. This would include outstanding achievements, honors, changes of address, news of marriages, birth or deaths among the alumni.

Notes From The Classes

1884

Duke—Lum Duke, '84, is an ex-circuit judge, residing in Opelika, Alabama. He has a son attending Auburn at the present time, William Stephen Duke.

1886

Spratling—L. W. Spratling, '86, writes from Roamers Roost, Waverly, Alabama that he has received an Auburn Alumnus for February and enjoyed reading it. Mr. Spratling enclosed a check for his annual alumni dues.

1891

Glenn—Dr. C. B. Glenn, B. S., '91, M. S., '92; B. A. '93, Harvard University; a few weeks ago was installed as president of the Birmingham Rotary club. Doctor Glenn is superintendent of Birmingham Schools.

1893

Daugette—Dr. C. W. Daugette, '93, is president of the State Normal School at Jacksonville, Alabama. He has a son, Rutledge Daugette, attending Auburn. Another son, C. W. Daugette, Jr., graduated at Auburn in 1925.

1894

Daugette—Palmer P. Daugette, '94, is conducting a law office in Birmingham. His local address is 2424 Arlington Avenue.

1896

Heard—Miss Annie Heard, '96, is principal of the Auburn Grammar School at Auburn, Alabama.

1897

Heard—J. F. Heard, '97, holds a position with the Postal Telegraph Cable Company in Atlanta, Georgia.

1899

Atkinson—J. N. Atkinson, '99, is superintendent of the High School at Piedmont, Alabama.

Bush—We wish to make a correction or a supplement to the list of alumni who paid their dues as printed in the February issue of the Alumnus. The name of Thomas Bush should be changed to T. G. Bush, Jr., '99, whose address is Drawer C, Station "A," Chattanooga, Tennessee.

1901

Haigler—W. H. Haigler, '01, holds a position with the Automobile and Ice Company, Montgomery, Alabama. Mr. Haigler has a son, W. H. Haigler, Jr., attending Auburn during this year. W. H. Haigler, Jr., states that

he had two uncles, J. A. Haigler, and Dr. J. R. Haigler, who are also former Auburn men, and a great uncle, Lewis Haigler, who came to Auburn in 1866 and '67. Mr. Lewis Haigler died last August, and Dr. J. R. Haigler is now located in the First National Bank Building, in Montgomery. W. H. Haigler, Jr., represents the third generation of his family to attend Auburn.

1901-'04-'13

Whorton-Anders—Three Auburn alumni, L. Whorton, '01, C. Whorton, '04, S. F. Anders, '13, operate the Whorton Pharmacal Company at Gadsden, Alabama, holding the positions of president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer, respectively.

1902

Webb—J. O. Webb, '02, is superintendent of schools at Waverly, Alabama.

1904

Lay—Tracy Lay, of Gadsden, Alabama, has resigned the position of United States consul general at Buenos Aires. It was reported that Lay's resignation was caused by dissatisfaction with the promotion system within the state department. Lay entered the foreign service in 1912 and served in London, Dublin, Paris, Munich and Washington before going to Buenos Aires.

1906

Black—J. R. Black, is the secretary-manager of the Southern Cypress Manufacturer's Association and is located at the Barnett Bank Bldg., Jacksonville, Florida.

1908

Batson—S. R. Batson, '08, former football man, and for the past 12 years county highway engineer of Jefferson County, is running for the Board of Revenue in Jefferson county. His present address is 424 Jefferson County Bank Building, Birmingham.

Ware—Bob Ware came to the campus to see the Auburn-'Ole Miss basketball games played February 10 and 11. Mr. Ware is from Autauga county and in 1908 was captain of the Auburn basketball team. He came with the intention of attending only the first game, but as 'Ole Miss won by one point, he stayed over until the next evening when Auburn won from the same team.

1909

Dennis—W. S. Dennis, '09, holds a position with the State Highway Department and is located at Dublin, Georgia.

Finley—Miss Hattie Finley, '09, is teaching English and history at the high school at Blountsville, Alabama.

Herren—Daniel Herren, C. E., '09, is connected with the Farmers Gin and Trading Company, East Tallahassee, Alabama. Mr. Herren has a nephew here in school, A. W. Herren, who tells us that his father, A. W. Herren, deceased, attended Auburn before 1900 and played on Auburn's first football team.

Moore—James W. Moore, '09, is manager of the American Cast Iron & Pipe Company, Birmingham. He married an Auburn graduate, Jessie Floyd, '12. They are living at 1042 Caldwell Terrace.

Sullivan—Chas. B. Sullivan, '09, is principal of the High School at Milltown, Alabama.

1910

Martin—W. R. Martin, '10, is teaching vocational agriculture at the High School at Centerville.

Mohns—C. E. Mohns is located at 901 Forest Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia.

1912

Bonner—W. S. Bonner, '12, is a contractor in Lineville, Alabama.

Thomas—Ernest C. Thomas, '12, arrived in Auburn during the week of February 27 to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. J. M. Thomas. Mr. Thomas is a sugar chemist in the Pineapple Cannery at Honolulu, Hawaii, and letters addressed to him should be directed in care of the Elks Club.

1913

Floyd—H. Grady Floyd, '13, is an electrical engineer for the McWain Pipe Company, Birmingham, Alabama. His address is 1134 Cullom Street.

Pennington—J. B. Pennington is teaching vocational agriculture at the S. S. A. S. of Blountsville, Alabama.

1914

Barnett—Andrew H. Barnett, '14, is operating a farm located at Fitzpatrick, Alabama. He has a brother attending Auburn at this time—F. M. Barnett.

Heard—A. Z. Heard, '14, holds a position with the T. C. I. Company in

Birmingham. Mail will reach him at 3016 20th Avenue, Ensley, Alabama.

1914

Martin—R. M. Martin, '14, is teaching vocational agriculture at Baker Hill, Alabama.

Mooneyham—Oscar J. Mooneyham '14, is an attorney-at-law in Henrietta, N. C.

1915

Bonner—L. J. Bonner, '15, is a contractor in Lineville, Alabama.

Bottoms—O. C. Bottoms is principal of the High School at Centerville, Alabama.

1916

Anderson—John G. Anderson, '16, is a geologist in Houston, Texas. His local address is care of Lumberman's Club. He has a brother attending Auburn at the present time.

Bingham—Hartwell, Georgia, is the center of activity for H. W. Bingham, '16, B. S., in Agr.

Douglass—Vernon J. Douglass, '16, is the supervisor of manual training in the Birmingham Schools. His wife, Kate Floyd '23, is an Auburn graduate.

Mohns—J. C. Mohns' present address is 604 Accidental Boulevard, Los Angeles, California.

1917

Akin—The "Eakin, L. A." appearing under the column of "Where Are They?" in the February issue of the *Alumnus* has received an identity in the person of L. A. Aiken, '17, B. S., in Pharmacy, located at Ozark, Alabama, where he operates and owns his own drugstore. He writes that "The *Alumnus* was found to be very interesting and I hope and feel that our dear old school will be back with the boys this fall and—by the way, hope our boys will win the basketball trophy. Best of luck to all the gang." The *Alumnus* is glad to have the correction of the spelling of this name and to receive the word of cheer.

1918

Avery—J. V. Avery, '18, is located at Buda, Texas, Box 102.

Floyd—M. Heard Floyd, '18, is an electrical engineer with the Portland Cement Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

Peterson—J. A. Peterson, '18, is superintendent of the High School at Jemison, Alabama.

1920

Bonner—T. H. Bonner, '20, holds a position with the Chilean Nitrate of Soda and Edu. Bureau, located at 917 Hurt Building, Atlanta, Georgia. His brother, M. L. Bonner, '20, is a contractor with two other brothers, located in Lineville, Alabama. These four brothers have another brother

attending Auburn at the present time—Joe Bonner.

Edwards—Chas. W. Edwards, B.S. '20, M. A., Harvard, is the college statistician and assistant to the registrar at Auburn, having been appointed to that place at the beginning of the present scholastic year.

Floyd—C. Ewell Floyd, '20, is manager of the American Chemical Company, East Point, Georgia.

Gentry—E. H. Gentry, '20, is principal of the S. S. A. S. at Lineville, Alabama.

1921

Greene—V. R. Greene is teaching vocational agriculture in the High School at Five Points, Alabama.

Ward—B. L. Ward, '21, is principal of the Autauga County High School.

1922

Camp—N. G. Camp, '22, holds the position of coach and teacher of science in the High School at LaFayette, Alabama.

Elder—R. T. Elder, '22, visited the Auburn campus and alumni office February 9. While here he paid his dues and was very anxious to receive a copy of the *Alumnus*, expressing himself as being highly in favor of the publication.

Haggard—Richard L. Haggard, '22, is located at 202-204 Broad Street, Gadsden, Alabama, operating his own store in the distribution of feedstuffs. He writes that "We have our club now formed and are getting in all the memberships possible. Gadsden is going to have one of the best clubs in the state."

1923

Floyd—Mrs. V. J. Douglass, Kate Floyd, '23, is a teacher in the Phillips High School in Birmingham. Her address is 5277 7th Avenue, South.

Gibson—H. F. Gibson, '23, is teaching vocational agriculture in the High School on Route 4, Bowdon, Georgia.

McDavid—D. L. McDavid, '23, is foreman of the Dixie Construction Company located at Pensacola, Florida.

McCain—Miss Gladys McCain, B. S., '23, is home demonstration agent pro tem in Elmore County, due to the illness of Mrs. Livingston.

Pfeil—Theodore Pfeil, '23, is in charge of the shipping department, Sears Roebuck and Company, Atlanta, Georgia.

Wyatt—B. H. Wyatt, '23 is the superintendent and principal of the High School at Five Points, Alabama.

1924

Davis—C. O. Davis, '24, is teaching vocational agriculture at the S. S. A. S. at Blountsville, Alabama.

Mosley—John E. Mosley, '24, E. E., now holds a position with Western Electric and Manufacturing Company, Sharon, Pennsylvania. Mr. Mosley has taken post graduate work at the University of Pittsburgh since leaving Auburn in 1924.

Owen—W. L. Owen, B. S., '24, M. S., '25, holds a position with the Experiment Station at Texas A. & M. College, College Station, Texas. Mr. Owen also holds a B. S., in Physical Education and Coaching from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

Sellers—T. J. Sellers, '24, is principal of the High School at Langdale, Alabama.

Smith—Charles M. Smith, Jr., of Montgomery, B. S., '24, who received an M. S. degree from Boston Tech in 1926, has accepted an unusual position to develop a new product for the Wallace and Tiernan corporation, a large industrial organization of Newark, N. J. Mr. Smith was a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity, president of the chemical society, and member of interfraternity council and honorary clubs while at Auburn.

Wiatt—W. G. Wiatt is working with the General Electric Company at Schenectady, New York, and at present is located at 1511 Union Street.

1925

Barefield—R. James Barefield, '25, holds a position with the Southern Bell Telephone Company, Jacksonville, Florida. His brother, W. C. Barefield is now a student at Auburn.

1925

Gaines—J. C. Gaines, Jr., '25, is an entomologist at the Texas Experiment station, College Station, Texas, doing special work on Cotton insect control.

Hamilton—J. F. Hamilton, '25, is superintendent of schools at Inverness, Alabama.

Harkins—E. M. "Red" Harkins, '25, former captain of the Auburn Tigers, is teaching and coaching at the Centerville High School, at Centerville, Alabama.

Kernodle—Miss Ruth Kernodle, B. S., '25, has returned to the Auburn campus to fulfill the requirements for the M. S. degree. Miss Kernodle has been teaching in Mobile county.

Milligan—Harris E. Milligan, '25, is located at Brewton, Alabama.

McDonald—Sara McDonald, B. S. '25, who is a teacher in the Auburn city schools, represented the Kappa Delta Pi, honorary educational fraternity recently organized on the campus, at the national convention which was held in Boston in February.

McLarren—Among the visitors to the Auburn campus, was W. D. McLarren, '25, who has been working with the General Electric company.

Thomas—G. T. Thomas, '25, is the athletic coach at the High School in Shawmut, Alabama.

Thomas—Earl Thomas, '25, is teaching vocational agriculture at Maplesville High School, Maplesville, Alabama.

1926

Bankson—T. R. Bankson, '26, holds a position in the order department of the General Electric Company in Cleveland, Ohio. Mail will reach him at 2053 E. 82nd St., Cleveland, Ohio. He has a brother, W. E. Bankson, now in Auburn.

Bentley—Miss Alma Bentley, '26, is teaching vocational home economics at the S. S. A. S. in Blountsville.

Brown—F. L. Brown, '26, is principal of the High School at Waverly, Alabama.

Brown—R. Y. Brown, B. S., '26, came by the Fairest Village during the week of February 27 for a short visit. Mr. Brown is studying for the consular service in Washington, D. C. and at this time was on his way to his home in Dothan.

Creel—The C. & R. Aerodynamical Laboratory, at the Navy Yard, Washington, D. C., claims as one of its hardest workers, Ralph L. Creel, '26.

Floyd—Elizabeth Floyd, '26, is teaching at the Lakeview School in Birmingham. She lives with her sister, Mrs. V. J. Douglass.

Flowers—Hubert Flowers, '26, is teaching at Alexandria, Alabama.

Ingram—L. F. Ingram, '26, is principal of the Delta Junior High School in Clay County.

Little—F. J. Little, '26, is principal of the high school at Alexandria, Alabama.

McGinty—Miss Oriel McGinty, '26, is teaching home economics in the High School at LaFayette, Alabama.

Salter—G. D. Salter, '26, M. A. '27, is principal of the High School at Shawmut, Alabama.

Wood—Miss Nonnie Wood, B. S. '26, visited the Auburn campus on February 22. Miss Wood is the Tallapoosa county agent at Dadeville, Alabama.

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Bright—E. T. Bright, '27, is teaching vocational agriculture in the High School at Jackson, Alabama.

Collins—J. F. Collins, Jr., '27, holds a position with the Gulf Refining Company at Port Arthur, Texas, and is located at 809 5th Street.

Fuller—James Louie Fuller, '27, is taking a student course with the General Electric Company at Lynn, Mass.

Mail will reach him at 33 High Street, Lynn, Mass. He has a sister attending Auburn at the present time—Annie Fuller. She states that her grandfather, Richard Ross Slaughter came to Auburn in 1859 and 1860. He died in 1908.

Garrett—E. P. Garrett, '27, is coaching in the High School at Lineville, Alabama.

Greene—W. M. Greene, '27, is teaching science in the high school at Ashland, Alabama.

Hall—J. H. Hall, '27, is teaching vocational agriculture in the High School at Cedar Bluff, Alabama.

Harrison—W. T. Harrison, '27, is superintendent of schools at Shawmut, Alabama.

Haynie—Charles Wilson Haynie, E. E., whose home town is at Bellamy, Alabama, is now holding a position with Stone & Webster, Inc., of Brookline, New York. He seems to be very happily situated as he writes back that Stone & Webster, Inc., is the best Company in the world to work for.

Herren—W. S. Herren, B. S., '27, is working with the Power Company, located in Cleveland, Tennessee.

Igou—Fannie Igou, B. S., '27, holds a teaching position in the Davidson High School, Davidston, Alabama.

Perry—L. W. Perry is teaching Vocational Agriculture at Marbury, Alabama.

Sudduth—J. R. Sudduth, '27, is teaching vocational agriculture at Milltown, Alabama.

Wiatt—J. E. Wiatt, is working with the Georgia Railway and Power Company and his local address is 201 Third Avenue, Rome, Georgia.

Worley—S. L. Worley, B. S., '27, has accepted a position as assistant soil chemist for the United Fruit Company to be located in Central America. Mr. Worley left the Auburn campus on Feb. 29th for New Orleans where he took a boat for Central America.

Misc.

Beutell—R. L. Beutell, former Auburn student, is one of the proprietors of the firm Daniell and Beutell, architects, of Atlanta. It was recently announced that this firm was selected as architects of the hospital building to be erected by the state of Georgia at Milledgeville in connection with improvements planned at the state insane asylum.

Currie—C. M. Currie, former Auburn man, is foreman of the Dixie Construction Company, located at West Point, Mississippi. He has a brother, Frank Currie now attending Auburn.

Davis—S. M. Davis, former Auburn man, is the judge of the Municipal Court in Columbus, Georgia.

Gauntt—James G. Gauntt, former student at Auburn, is now professional architect located at 1419 Hamilton Bank Building, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Howell—E. W. Howell, a student now in Auburn states that A. Wilson Howell, his great-grandfather, attended Auburn when the school was known as the East Alabama Male College, and that he was the last of his kin to come to Auburn until the present time.

Hazen—Charles Albert Hazen, '23, is now taking senior work in the Civil Engineering course at Ohio State University. He gives his address as 11 E. Woodruff Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

Newell—J. W. Newell, of Dadeville, Alabama, and his son, Capt. Olin C. Newell, 6th Cavalry, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, are both Auburn men.

The present addresses of the following Auburn men who served during the World War recently came to the alumni office:

Elliott—James L. Elliott. 3354 Monroe St., Toledo, Ohio, with the United States Army.

Hall—James Madison Hall, Jr., 1123 Cherry Street, Toledo, Ohio, with the United States Army.

Jones—Grady Whittle Jones, Attmore, Alabama, S. A. T. C.

Miller—Robert Lee Miller, 84 Nelson Street, Atlanta, Georgia, aviation.

Ruffin—E. E. Ruffin, 720 Delmar Ave., S. E., Atlanta, Georgia, with the United States Army.

Scoville—Edward Noble Scoville, 2921 21st Astoria, Long Island, N. Y., with the United States Army.

Sullivan—Nim Belotte Sullivan, 579 Boulevard, Anderson, S. C., with the United States Army.

Thigpen—James A. Thigpen, Auburn, Alabama, with the United States Marines.

Woodfin—A. P. Woodfin, Monroeville, Alabama, S. A. T. C.

MILITARY INSPECTION

Auburn R. O. T. C. unit did itself proud in the review and various exhibitions before the War Department representatives who conducted the Government's annual investigation of training here, March 19 and 20.

To grade the unit upon the requirements of distinguished college rating is the purpose of the annual inspection. For the past eight years Auburn has won the recognition of a distinguished college.

BIRTHS

1925-26

To W. H. Weidenbach, '25, and Mrs. Weidenbach, (Tommy Turner, '26) a son, William Adam, on November 21, 1927, Auburn, Alabama. Mr. Weidenbach is secretary of the Experiment station of the college.

WEDDINGS

1894

Thorington-Hall—Jack Thorington, Sr., '94, L.L.B., University of Alabama, '95, and Mrs. Annie Paul Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Taylor Thompson, were married during the fall of 1927. The bride is the granddaughter of the late Robert Goldthwaite, banker, and great granddaughter of George Goldthwaite, former justice of Alabama's supreme court, and later United States senator from Alabama. She is descended paternally from the Baldwin, Morris and Billing families.

Mr. Thorington, who is of distinguished ancestry, is a lawyer and comes from a family of jurists, numbering in its line many legal lights. He has devoted his time largely to business interests, and is a leader in civic developments in Montgomery and the county.

1928

Wyatt-Gibbons — Miss Olive Gibbons, '28, and Prof. B. K. Wyatt, instructor in the department of Architecture at Auburn were married on January 27, 1928. This marriage was the culmination of a romance begun in the early fall of the present scholastic year. Mrs. Wyatt will continue her school work at Auburn and will receive the B. S. degree in May.

Burns-McIntyre—A football star of 1927, Merritt Burns, '28, and Miss Lucy Young McIntyre, a student at Womans College were married on Saturday, September 24, 1927. The announcement of the wedding was not made until the end of the past semester, in January, and came as a surprise to the Auburn campus. Mr. and Mrs. Burns are continuing their college work at Auburn and Womans College, Mr. Burns receiving his B.S. degree in May. The bride and groom are both from Dothan, Alabama.

1927

Reid-Williams — Miss Sabrie Williams, '27, and J. K. Reid were married at Raleigh, N. C., on February 11, 1928. Mrs. Reid still holds the position of demonstration agent in Washington County at Plymouth, North Carolina.

DEATHS

ALEX CLARK

Alex H. Clark, '98, formerly of Montgomery, but for the past few years a resident of Washington, D. C., died in a Washington hospital at 8:15 o'clock Friday night, March 2, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident two days before, according to news received in the alumni office.

Mr. Clark was 49 years old. He graduated from Auburn in 1898 with an B. S. degree, receiving an M. S. degree the following year. Later he received the LL.B degree from the University of Alabama. He went to Washington as secretary to former Congressman Hugh Dent. For a number of years he has been reporter for the U. S. Court of Customs Appeals.

Surviving him are his widow, of Washington, D. C., his mother, Mrs. Sallie M. Clark, of Montgomery and six sisters, Mrs. Mamie C. Thorington, Mrs. Robert Teague, Mrs. Dozier Turner, and Miss Kate Clark, all of Montgomery; Mrs. N. H. Holmes, of Mobile and Mrs. John Turner Hudson, of Auburn.

WILLIAM B. FRAZER

The following death notice comes to the alumni office as being of interest to many Auburn men, although the man himself was not an Auburn alumnus.

William B. Frazer, 83-year-old Confederate Veteran, of Auburn, and father of Frank R. Frazer, of Opelika, died at his home here following a long illness. Funeral service was held at 10 a. m., the following day, interment in Auburn cemetery.

Mr. Frazer was born in Wilks County, Georgia, July 8, 1844, moving to Auburn several years later. He was married to Miss Mary M. Reese at Auburn who survives him. Mr. Frazer was a Mason and a member of the Baptist Church. He was engaged in the dry goods business for years, but on account of ill health had been inactive for a long period of time. He carried until death bad scars of wounds received in the "War Between the States" and was an active member of the Association of Confederate Veterans until the last.

Besides the widow, the deceased is survived by three sons, Frank R. Frazer, Opelika; Alex Frazer and Hardaway Frazer; one sister, Miss Sallie Frazer; one granddaughter, Miss Mary Helen Frazer, and one grandson, Frank Frazer, Jr.

MRS. J. M. THOMAS

The College City friends again mourn the death of one of her pioneer resident, Mrs. J. M. Thomas, 76, whose husband died in March, 1923. This family as one of the founders of Auburn saw the little town progress and grow from the days when it was a very small settlement. The Auburn men remember with deep appreciation the gracious friendship acquired in the days of their school years when they boarded at the Thomas home. Many of these old graduates have gone out to attain high rank in the nation's business and professional life today. Mr. Thomas, through diligent application to his career, became one of the wealthy realty residents of Auburn and the Thomas family today has large holdings in business and residential property.

Mrs. Thomas died at six o'clock Wednesday, Feb. 29, at the Thomas Hotel, the family home. She had been ill for a month with flu and complications. She was born in Macon county on Sept. 9, 1852.

Mrs. Thomas had resided in Auburn for the past fifty-three years, moving here from near Notasulga. Before her marriage she was a Miss Nancy T. Potts and married her late husband, John M. Thomas in Auburn on Oct. 18, 1874. Mrs. Thomas was a member of the Methodist church.

Surviving are the following children: Mrs. W. L. Noll, Mrs. W. H. Eager, both of Montgomery; Miss Nan Thomas, Mrs. Ercell Friel, Prof. Albert L. Thomas, and Miss Willie Thomas, of Auburn; E. C. Thomas of Honolulu and thirteen grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Funeral services were held at the home, interment being made at the Auburn cemetery with the Rev. E. D. Burnworth officiating.

AUBURN'S NEW HEAD
APPEARS ON CAMPUS

Dr. Knapp's First Visit Since Election

Auburn's newly elected president, Dr. Bradford Knapp, made his first appearance on the campus, March 25; his visit was of limited duration. At this time practically every present Auburn student saw the future executive for the first time. He was given a hearty greeting; evidence points to a pleased attitude among the student body during his future reign at Auburn.

AUBURN ALUMNI CLUB IS FORMED IN NEW YORK

On Thursday evening, March 1, after prearrangements a group of Auburn men who had been closely connected for several years reunited at the Hotel Astor where an elaborate dinner was served. The thought occurred during the meeting to form an Auburn club which would bind the several members closer together.

Those present were: Amon B. Miller '20, Rodney M. Ollinger '21, J. Eric Wideberg '21, Chauncey Riley '23, Eral E. Lutz '25, Jack Steward, Colquit Lane '20, and Weems Baskin '28, who at present is making recrods on the track for the New York Athletic Club.

Each man will bring with him all Auburn men that he may know in the city and it is expected to have some twenty alumni at the next meeting. Officers will be elected and a name given the organization. The next meeting is set for the first Tuesday in April.

The formation of such a club will lend additional strength to the growing Alumni Association.—The Plainsman.

L. W. PAYNE, '92, WRITES NEW BOOK

Dr. Leonidas Warren Payne, who received at Auburn the degrees of B. S. and M. S. in '92 and '93 respectively, is now a professor of English at the University of Texas and has written many notable books.

"*The Bookman*," February issue, praised his writings highly, especially commending "Later American Writers," stating that this book dealt with many more modern authors than the usual work of its kind, thereby making it unusually valuable.

"*The Bookman*" says: "If professors now-a-days are like Professor Payne, culture in America is looking up."

Among other works of Mr. Payne's, we find: "Southern Literary Readings," "American Literary Readings," "History of American Literature," and "Selections from English Literature."

"Later American Writers" is a textbook for secondary schools and colleges, but its criticisms are so interesting, and it is such a thoroughly valuable book that it is a worthy addition to any library.

Are you sure the alumni office has your correct address? If not send it in. A complete file of all Auburn men is being compiled.

THE SUMMER SESSION

By Dean Zebulon Judd, Director

1928 Session: First Term—June 4 to July 13; Second Term—July 16 to August 18

THE AUBURN campus will soon be the scene of the busy student life and activity of the Summer Session. Beginning in 1913 with a hundred students the enrollment has had steady growth, passing the one thousand mark in 1927. The summer school began as a six weeks session devoting itself primarily to the service of teachers, giving courses chiefly of non-collegiate grade. The summer session now runs for twelve weeks and constitutes the summer quarter of the collegiate year. Only work of college level is now offered.

One visiting the campus in the summer would gain the impression that the regular college is in session. While more women attend during the summer than in the winter session, men students predominate. Of the 1023 matriculates last summer 557 were men and 466 women. The various departments of the college contribute their quota to the summer program and a majority of the student body are regular college students who are using the summer months to shorten the calendar time required for completion of their degree courses.

Summer Commencement

One marked innovation at Auburn is the summer commencement held at the close of the summer quarter. A regular program of exercises is executed and degrees and diplomas are awarded as at the regular commencement in May. Last summer there were 42 candidates for the bachelor's degree and 5 for the master's. By means of the summer quarter students may graduate in three calendar years and many of our students definitely plan from the outset to avail themselves of this provision thereby enabling themselves to enter upon their professions or vocations one year earlier or to earn the master's degree in four calendar years.

Summer Session Faculty

The summer session faculty is composed chiefly of members of the regular college faculty. Each year, however, a number of outside men of national reputation are selected from the faculties of outstanding colleges and universities of the nation. This procedure infuses new ideas, methods, and points of view which are wholesome and invigorating. It is in line with the practice of the better educational institutions of the country

through their provision for exchange professors.

Graduate Work

A fine tone is given the work of the summer session by the presence of a large number of graduate students. During the last summer there were matriculated 160 college graduates and 87 graduates of normal schools. In the summer there is a much larger graduate faculty and more graduate courses than are available in the winter session. This type of work is rapidly increasing and is particularly opportune for teachers and other workers who may be released from their regular vocations during the summer months.

Types of Students in Summer Session

Teachers.—The summer session work makes appeal to a great variety of students. It meets the needs of all classes of teachers for the issuance, extension, and renewal of certificates and for advanced training required for the higher types of teachers' certificates. To comply with the modern standards for school principals, superintendents, and supervisors a year of graduate study is required. The summer program is arranged with particular concern for this requirement. Many of the elementary schools and junior high schools as well as the senior high schools are now calling for college graduates. Normal school graduates are, therefore, beginning to seek training beyond that offered by the normal schools. Especial care is given to courses for this growing group of teachers.

College Students.—Reference has already been made to the convenience of summer study for college students whether they are undertaking to graduate in three years or to make up back work. Many of the southern states contribute students of this class to our summer school enrollment.

High School Students.—A modern standard four-year high school is conducted by the summer session as a means of demonstrating the more modern practices in high school teaching. High school students who lack one or two units for college entrance may earn these in the summer session. Other high school students who are irregular in their courses and wish to complete certain studies in the summer are admirably served.

LIFE OF WASHINGTON

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American boy nor girl, no man nor woman, is equipped for life who has not a fair acquaintance with the man Washington.

His characteristics and career were so varied that very different pictures are given by authoritative biographers, because each magnifies certain characteristics at the expense of the whole.

Early Biographers Immortalize

The early biographers eliminated almost entirely the human traits and presented him as a man apart. As expressed by some moderns—

"A frozen image of George Washington was held up for Americans to admire, Rigid with congealed virtue, ungenial, unreal, to whom from our schooldays up we have been paying a sincere and respectful regard, but a regard without interest, sympathy, heart—or indeed, belief. It thrills a true American to the marrow to learn at last that this far-off figure, this George Washington, this man of patriotic splendor, the captain and saviour of our Revolution, the self-sacrificing, devoted president, was a man also with a hearty laugh, with a love of the theatre, with a white-hot temper, who when roused could (for example) declare of Edmund Randolph: "A damner scoundrel God Almighty never permitted to disgrace humanity."

The truth is—he was an ordinary boy, more or less ungainly, with a large frame, and a nose up to which his friends hoped he would grow. Studious when it was time to study, playful when time to play; there were glimpses of leadership, and he was easily the best runner and hunter among his boy comrades.

This boy developed into a fine surveyor, an excellent farmer, a great military leader, a remarkable statesman, and a very human man, fond of the fair sex, of his Maderia not too much or too often; always a craving for his vine and fig tree at Mount Vernon, and very partial to good clothes.

He was punctilious in his attention to fashionable garments. It must not, however, be understood that there was any of the Dandy about Washington. Far from that. He selected and wore his clothes on principle. He was a great observer of facts, and it is a fact that a man carries about with him a superior degree of self-respect and wins a great measure of respect from others by being well dressed. It is an old saying that good clothes has much to do with courtship. Washington

believed other things being equal, that good clothes went a great way in accomplishing one's purpose in dealing with one's fellowship.

Concerning his early education, all biographers narrate extracts from his copy books when at the school of the Reverend James Marye in Fredericksburg. The Reverend Marye was an exiled Huguenot who established a school at Fredericksburg, to which the landed proprietors of Virginia sent their children.

Rules of Civility

A distinguishing characteristic of this school was that it had a department of Civility, on the same basis as the other departments—and I give it as my humble opinion that those responsible for our present-day schools could well profit by adopting the idea of this revolutionary school-master.

The rules of civility which were taught were evidently dictated by the instructor and copied by the pupils. There are more than a hundred of them—some quaint, some peculiar, and most of them applicable today as when written.

A few follow:

"In walking with a man of great quality, walk not with him cheek by jowl, but somewhat behind him.

"Every action in company ought to be with some sign or respect to those present."

"Strive not with your superiors in argument, but always submit your judgment to others with modesty."

"Take all admonitions thankfully, in what time or place soever given, but afterwards, not being culpable, take a time or place convenient to let him know it that gave them."

"Think before you speak; pronounce not imperfectly, nor bring out your words too hastily, but orderly and distinctly."

"Speak not evil of the absent, for it is unjust."

"Show not yourself glad at the misfortune of another, though he were your enemy."

"Wherein you reprove another, be unblamable yourself, for example is more prevalent than precept."

"Associate yourself with men of good quality, if you esteem your own reputation, for it is better to be alone than in bad company."

"Undertake not what you can not perform, but be careful to keep your promises."

"Honor and obey your natural parents, although they be poor."

"Talk not with meat in your mouth."

"Speak not of doleful things in a time of mirth."

"Sleep not when others speak, sit not when others stand, speak not when you should hold your peace, walk not when others stop."

"When you speak of God, or his attributes, let it be seriously in reverence."

"Labour to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience."

There has been considerable argument as to whether Washington himself wrote these rules, but I cannot believe that their origin was other than as indicated above.

To me, this is a matter of little importance, the main issue is that Washington laid great store by those rules, and all are agree that they were very important in developing his character, which was the foundation of his success in after life.

Forty-three years after his school days, he wrote as follows to his nephew:

"Your future character and reputation will depend very much, if not, entirely, upon the habits and manners which you contract in the present period of your life."

What are the fundamentals of life embodied in those words:

To respect seniors and to accept admonitions cheerfully.

To render justice.

To set good example.

To speak no evil.

To exult not at the misfortunes of friend or enemy.

To keep good company.

To be courteous.

To be modest.

To be filled with the spirit of accomplishment.

To reverence the Creator.

There are ample evidences throughout Washington's life of the fact that the principles of these rules became part of his being.

Washington Modest

When the Speaker of the House of Burgesses, at a meeting of the House, praised him for his valor in the campaign against the French and Indians, and he attempted to reply, he could make no answer. The Chairman saved the day by saying—

"Sit down Mr. Washington. Your modesty is equal to your valor, and that surpasses the power of any language that I possess."

All through his life similar evidences of modesty are found. In referring to his writings, an author has said—

"The hints of greatness in those pages are a huge energy, and a grasp of detail, a memory and attention for the smallest as well as the largest

things, that leave one silent with wonder. But no direct sign of the soldier or statesman is there; the writer is apparently a breeder of horses, dogs, and sheep, a planter of trees and crops, generous to his relations and relations-in-law, with his slaves both humane and strict, most strict in his business duties to others and in their business duties to him. He is also a constant sportsman, fox hunter, and host, who is pleased to bid many welcome at his table, but dearly likes chosen friends to come in; and with these he takes a more familiar glass of Maderia."

And in writing to a nephew who was about to take his seat in the House of Burgesses, he wrote—

"The only advice I will offer, if you have a mind to command the attention of the house, is to speak seldom but on important subjects, except such as particularly relate to your constituents, and, in the former case, make yourself perfect master of the subject. Never exceed a decent warmth, and submit your sentiments with diffidence. A dictatorial style, though it may carry conviction, is always accompanied with disgust."

Lindbergh Example of Modesty

When a youngster, he became associated with Lord Fairfax, who really laid the foundation for his success. Lord Fairfax was attracted to him by his modesty and by his courtesy. And Gentlemen, I say to you that no two attributes will stand you in greater stead, as you progress through life than those—Modesty and Courtesy. We have today a living example of this dictum—a man who has been acclaimed more than any other the world has ever known. I refer to Charles A. Lindbergh.

Among the precepts of a soldier, which I issue to every command which I take over, is this—

Be courteous always. Courtesy is the foundation stone of our civil and military life. And this means courtesy to inferiors as well as courtesy to superiors. 'Tis true, and pity 'tis 'tis true, that it is very easy to be courteous to superiors, and especially easy to be discourteous to inferiors.

Washington Was Religious

We find in Washington's writings many references to the Divine Rules. A few passages follow—

"When I contemplate the interposition of Providence as it was manifested in guiding us through the revolution, in preparing us for the reception of a general government, and in conciliating the good-will of the people of America towards one

another, after its adoption, I feel myself oppressed and almost overwhelmed with a sense of the divine munificence.

"I commend my friends, and with them the interests and happiness of our dear country, to the keeping and protection of Almighty God.

"The hand of providence has been so conspicuous in all this, that he must be worse than an infidel that lacks faith, and more than wicked, that has not gratitude enough to acknowledge his obligations.

"The great ruler of events will not permit the happiness of so many millions to be destroyed.

"At disappointments and losses which are the effect of providential acts, I never repine, because I am sure the allwise disposer of events knows better than we do, what is best for us, or what we deserve."

French and Indian Wars

All of you are more or less familiar with the military and political events of Washington's life, and time forbids that I should attempt to carry you through his service in the French and Indian Wars, in the Revolution, and as President of the United States. I will content myself with reference to a few incidents bearing upon those periods.

Once more he was at Mount Vernon, not busy, scraping troops together, with such a record of bravery shining through the clouds of Braddock's misfortune, that a clergyman, in a sermon, preached in Virginia and printed in Philadelphia and London, says: "That Heroic youth, Colonel Washington, whom I can not but hope Providence has hitherto preserved in so signal a manner for some important service to his country."

Popular With Ladies

It is a matter of record that in his youthful days the girls turned a deaf ear to his entreaties. However, after the episode of the French and Indian Wars, with two horses shot under him, and four bullets through his clothes, he received at Mount Vernon the following letter:

Dear Sir:

After thanking heaven for your safe return I must accuse you of great unkindness in refusing us the pleasure of seeing you this night. If you will not come to us tomorrow morning very early we shall be at Mount Vernon.

"Sallie Fairfax"

"Ann Spearing"

"Elizabeth Dent."

Thus it appears that four bullets through his coat, and two horses shot

under him, atoned for his bashfulness somewhat, and so changed his aspect to the female eye, that if they could not quite marry him, they almost would.

Spirit of Service

The predominating trait of Washington, running as a golden thread throughout his whole life, was the Spirit of Service.

He raised and equipped men with his own or borrowed funds, when money was not forthcoming from the Government.

He served voluntarily without pay, when proper pay was not forthcoming.

"He loved his country well enough to hold his success in serving it an ample recompense. But when his country needed sacrifices that no other man could or perhaps would make, he did not even hesitate. This was virtue in its most exalted character."

He wrote—

"I was summoned by my country, whose voice I can never hear but with veneration and love.

"When your country demands the sacrifice, personal ease must always be a secondary consideration.

"The love of my country will be the ruling influence of my conduct.

"When I was first honored with a call into the service of my country, then on the eve of an arduous struggle for its liberties, the light in which I contemplated my duty required that I should renounce every pecuniary compensation. From this resolution I have in no instance departed; and being still under the impression which produced it, I must decline, as inapplicable to myself, any share in the personal emoluments which may be indispensably included in the permanent provision for the executive department: and must accordingly pray that the pecuniary estimates for the station in which I am placed may, during my continuance in it, be limited to such actual expenditures as the public good may be thought to require."

A most notable item of his service was as President of the Constitutional Convention—

In 1787 the great Constitutional Convention was called. Virginia sent George Washington at the head of her delegation. When the Convention assembled in Philadelphia, Washington was chosen as its presiding officer. This august body of nation-makers was composed of fifty-five members. They assembled day after day for a period of four months, discussing and formulating the great principles of

the Constitution of the United States of America. Mr. Bancroft calls them "the goodliest fellowship of law-givers whereof this world hold record." And of their work—the Constitution of the United States of America—Mr. Gladstone declares that it is "the most wonderful work ever struck off at a given time by the brain and purpose of man."

His Foreign Policy

A policy of service when controlling the destiny of the nation is given in his own words, as follows—

"My policy, in our foreign transactions, has been to cultivate peace with all the world; to observe the treaties with pure and absolute faith; to check every deviation from the line of impartiality: to explain what may have been misapprehended, and correct what may have been injurious to any nation; and having thus acquired the right, to lose no time in acquiring the ability, to insist upon justice being done to ourselves.

"Would to God the harmony of nations were an object that lay nearest to the hearts of sovereigns, and that the incentives to peace, of which commerce and facility of understanding each other are not the most inconsiderable, might be daily increased."

Advocated Preparedness

He preached the gospel of preparedness, and we are following his precepts today in saying that we do not sense immediate trouble in the offing, that we decry bombastic statements to to the effect that there is danger near at hand, but we do insist that we owe it to our children, and to our children's children, that the youth of this great land shall be indoctrined with the principles of service, to the end that the coming generations will be filled with civic pride and be prepared to resist any encroachment on this Government.

A biographer says—

"It is upon the day of his release, the day when public burdens fell from him, and the vine and fig tree began to attract his hopes, that we shall take our farewell look at him. His successor, John Adams, had finished taking his oath; Washington turned to leave the assembly, and at this sight, all who could do so crowded from their places to the hall, that they might see the last of him. He passed through their cheering to the street, where in answer he waved his hat, 'his countenance radiant with benignity, his grey hairs streaming in the wind.' The crowd followed him to his door; there, turning round, his countenance assumed a grave and al-

most melancholy expression, his eyes were bathed in tears, his emotions were too great for utterance, and only by gestures could he indicate his thanks and convey his farewell blessing.

Last Days

Three years of quiet he lived to see, and then was dead after a brief illness, able to ride his horse to within three days of the end, and ready to take the command against France in case of war. He seemed to know his illness was indeed the end, although, during the twenty hours of its progress he let them try what remedies they wished; when at last his friend, the doctor, sat on his bed, and took his head in his lap, he said with difficulty: "Doctor, I am dying, and have been dying for a long time, but I am not afraid to die."

He was laid to rest at Mount Vernon, and any one who has not been there should go at the first opportunity. It has been my good fortune to have done so, and I give you a wonderful description of a visit to this hallowed spot.

Visit Mount Vernon

Go, when the day is fine, down the river to Mount Vernon. There, following the path up from the shore among the trees, you will slowly come to where his tomb is, the simple vault half up the hill, which vines partly cover, built according to his directions. From this you will still ascend among grass and trees, and pass up by old buildings, old barns, an old coach-house with the coach in it, and so come to the level green upon which the house gives with its connecting side offices at either flank. Inside the house, all through the rooms of bygone comfort so comfortable still, so mellowed with the long sense of home, you will feel the memory of his presence strangely, and how much his house is like him. He seems to come from his battles and his austere fame, and to be here by the fireplace. Here are some of his very books on the shelves, here the stairs he went up and down, here in the hall his swords, and the key of the bastille that La-Fayette sent to him. Upstairs is the room he died in, and the bed; still above this chamber, the little room where Martha Washington lived her last years after his death, with its window looking out upon the tomb where he was first laid. Everything, every object, every corner and step, seems to bring him close, not in the way of speaking of him or breathing of him, as some memorial places seem to speak and breathe their signifi-

cance; a silence fills these passages and rooms, a particular motionlessness, that is not changed or disturbed by the constant moving back and forth of the visitors. What they do, their voices, their stopping and bending to look at this or that, does not seem to affect, or even to reach, the strange influence that surrounds them. It is an exquisite and friendly serenity which bathes one's sense, that brings him so near, that seems to be charged all through with some meaning or message of beneficence and reassurance, but nothing that could be put into words.

And then, not staying too long in the house, stroll out upon the grounds. Look away to the woods and fields, whence he rode home from hunting with Lord Fairfax, over which his maturer gaze roved as he watched his crops and his fences, and to which his majestic figure came back with pleasure and relief from the burdens and admiration of the world. Turn into his garden and look at the walls and the walks he planned, the box hedges, the trees, the flower-beds, the great order and the great sweetness everywhere. And among all this, still the visitors are moving, looking, speaking, the men, women, and children from every corner of the country, some plain and rustic enough, some laughing and talking louder than need be, but all drawn here to see it, to remember it, to take it home with them, to be in their own ways and according to their several lights touched by it, and no more disturbing the lovely peace of it than they disturbed the house. For again as in the house, only if possible more marvelously still, there comes from the trees, the box hedges, the glimpses of the river, that serenity with its message of beneficence and reassurance, that cannot be put into words. It seems to lay a hand upon all and make them, for a moment, one. You may spend an hour, you may spend a day, wandering, sitting, feeling this gentle power of the place; you may come back another time, it meets you, you cannot dispel it by familiarity.

Washington Yet Lives

Then go down the hill again, past the old buildings, past the tomb, among the trees to the shore. As you recede from the shore, you watch the place grow into the compactness of distance, and then it seems to speak: "I am still here, my countrymen, to do you what good I can." And as you think of this, and bless the devotion of those whose piety and care treasure the place, and keep it sacred and beautiful, you turn and look up the

expanding river. From behind a wooded point, silent and far, the nation's roof-tree, the dome of the capitol, moves into sight. A turn of the river, and it moves behind the point again; but now, on the other side of the wide water distance, rises that shaft built to his memory, almost seeming to grow from the stream itself; presently, shaft and dome stand out against the sky, with the Federal City that he prophesied, union's hearth-stone and high-seat, stretching between them.

And in conclusion I will quote from Abraham Lincoln. He spoke in part as follows:

"This is the one hundred and tenth anniversary of the birthday of Washington. We are met to celebrate this day. Washington is the mightiest name on earth—long since mightiest in the cause of civil liberty, still mightiest in moral reformation. On that name a eulogy is expected. It can not be. To add brightness to the sun or glory to the name of Washington is alike impossible. Let none attempt it. In solemn awe pronounce the name, and let its naked, deathless splendor leave it shining on."

ALUMNI CHAPTER FORMED AT WEST POINT, GA.

The Auburn Alumni of West Point, Georgia, and the surrounding district, met on February 23, and formed a club to be known as the Chattahoochee Valley Auburn Alumni Association.

Mrs. W. E. Benns, '09, of West Point, was elected president. Louis P. Heyman, '92, of West Point, is the vice-president. The secretary-treasurer is Gerald Salter, '26, of Shawmut. Other members present were Professor J. M. Harris, '12, Lloyd Cole, '13, Dr. J. M. Luke, '93, and Joe Herzfeld, '97.

These seven members all of whom have paid their dues plan to have an excellent chapter. Their president, Mrs. Benns, is the first Auburn woman to be elected to this position. There are over 50 alumni in the vicinity of West Point who will probably affiliate with this chapter.

MRS. W. E. BENNS HEADS CHATTAHOOCHEE VALLEY ALUMNI

(News clipping)

West Point, March 24.—Following in line with a recent inaugurated plan to unite all Auburn men and women, the graduates of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute (Auburn) residing in the Chattahoochee Valley met here last Friday and organized a local alumni association.

The meeting was featured by appropriate talks by Dr. J. V. Brown, athletic director of Auburn (and Executive Secretary Alumni Association), and R. C. Brown, coach of the tiger freshman teams.

Near the conclusion of the meeting the following were elected as officers: President, Mrs. W. E. Benns; vice-president, Louis Heyman; and secretary-treasurer, Gerald D. Salter.

Auburn is one of the few nationally recognized colleges that fails to have a well organized alumni association. A general movement has been started to bring about a closer relationship between the graduates and their alma mater.

The list of those present with the numeral of their graduating year included: Louis Meyman '92; Joe Herzfeld, '97; Mrs. W. E. Benns, '09; Dr. J. M. Luke, '12; Dr. Lloyd Cole, '13; Gerald D. Salter, '26; Prof. W. T. Harrison, '27.

It was decided that the meetings be held monthly with the next being Thursday, March 15. All who have ever attended Auburn regardless of whether graduates or not, are urgently requested to be present.

OPELIKA CHAPTER IS ORGANIZED

Although organized just last month, the Auburn Alumni Association of Opelika is well under way, and the officers report that much progress has already been made. This chapter has sixty members, the majority of whom have paid their dues. R. C. Smith is president and John Thomas Frazer is secretary.

A resolution protesting the recent decision concerning the teacher training fund distribution by the State Board of Education was adopted by the Opelika Chapter. The Alumni secretary was asked to send a copy of these resolutions to all the alumni whose addresses were available.

FIRST FOOTBALL TEAM

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parts termed "innings," 40 minutes each. A touchdown scored only four points, and a goal counted two points.

Auburn used the "flying wedge" formation, in which the team possessing the ball lined up in "V" shape, with the man carrying the ball in the apex of the "V". This man, however, could pass the ball to any man on the team, which man, on receiving the ball, dropped to the center of the "V" behind a wall of interference.

Another play which is now obsolete was the "tug and pull" system in which on downing the ball carrier,

the defensive players were allowed to pull him as far from his goal as possible until he called "down." Although rough, this practice added many thrills to the game.

The methods of training for football has changed greatly since these early days. An important exercise for the teams then was that of running long distances before breakfast. The Auburn teams usually sped down the railroad track toward Loachapoka or Opelika. These long jogs resulted in the players acquiring great stamina.

Football Tournament

A football tournament was held in Atlanta, Georgia in the fall of 1892. The players practiced in their street clothes in order to save their new uniforms unsoiled for the tournament. Small woolen caps with tassels were a part of the uniforms.

On the way to Atlanta, the Auburn team discussed the probable scores. They predicted that they would trounce Trinity about 40 points, University of North Carolina 20 points, Tech 40 points, and by only "half way trying" they could defeat the University of Virginia by at least 10 points. The results were somewhat adverse, as in the first game of the tournament Trinity scored 34 points to Auburn's 6. In the second game, the Plainsmen asked for a reduction of the one hour and twenty minutes playing time because of the strenuousness of the game with Trinity. The University of North Carolina defeated Auburn 64 to 0. However the Auburn team was successful in defeating Georgia Tech 26 to 0, on the following day but the Tigers were forced to abandon the game with the University of Virginia because of their exhausted physical condition after the three games on three successive days.

Auburn's second coach was Mr. Balliatt of Princeton. In 1893, Coach C. C. Harvey was employed as the Auburn coach and a few years later, the beloved Mike Donahue came to Auburn.

The City Council at Auburn has adopted ordinances providing for extensive paving projects on Thach and Glenn Avenues and College Street. Construction work is to begin on the paving as soon as contracts are let. The paving on Thach Avenue will extend on the campus as far as the Alumni Gymnasium and on College Street from town out beyond the Ag Building to the city limits. This will add much to the appearance of the college campus.

SOUTHERN SPEECH

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would never do in formal writing. The almost constant misuse of "sure" as an adverb is a much worse error. "I sure am feeling fine today." When the word "sure" is used it has the adjective form, and ought to be so employed. "I surely am feeling fine today" would be correct, of course. I am not objecting to the colloquial "sure enough," which has come to be almost a compound word used only in speaking. To be sure, it is not in good usage, but it has a distinctive, picturesque flavor which will excuse any word of a great many sins against good syntax.

Picturesqueness Desired

Picturesqueness seems to me to be an exceedingly desirable quality in speech and diction. I am certainly against standardization in speech if picturesqueness, which is almost certain to mean vividness and flavor, is lost in the process. The South, it seems to me, is particularly rich in words that have a distinct flavor, a strong connotative value, of their own. They ought, by all means, to be preserved, if not for scientific reasons, then certainly for literary ones. Standardization of words? The Southerner's "reckon" is every bit as good as the Northerner's "guess," and I should say it has a little more flavor. Let the South keep its picturesque old words, many of which have come down from Elizabethan times or before. The often-advanced claim that Southern speech comes directly from good old English sources has much behind it. Sectionalism is colloquial speech ought not to be discouraged; it is a mark of the vitality of the language that there should be differences and evidences of growth. But when colloquial speech is the sole equipment of an individual who pretends to be educated I think the teacher of English at least may raise some objection. Even the most practical man ought to be able to speak directly and effectively in words that are common to English-speaking everywhere.

AUBURN ATTENDANCE A FAMILY TRAIT

There are 189 students now at Auburn who had relatives precede them to the Fairest Village in previous years; 22 of this number are sons and daughters of fathers who attended Auburn in the past. The number of former Auburn men who now have representatives at Auburn is 409.

THESE FRATERNITIES

A freshman shouting, "Praise Allah! My doom has come," from the heights of a 100 foot water tank, located in the center of town, refused to cease his disturbance even though a policeman advised it. As a result of the freshman's continuing to carry out the assignment of his fraternity initiation, he was arrested for disturbing the peace.

LOST CHAMPIONSHIP

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conference basketball champion. No details of this argument will be gone into. But too many things can happen in a short four days—things that would not matter greatly in a season's run. Slight attacks of illness such as suffered by one of the James, for instance.

But until the conference has been split into two groups, a South Atlantic and a Southern group, the tourney may be the only solution. For years I've advocated a really southern Big Ten, including the present conference schools of Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Florida. Then every team could play every other team in the group with the championship, as in the mid-western Big Ten, decided upon a season's percentage basis. By this plan every quint, to qualify in the championship race must schedule every other club.

Plainsman Team Phenomenal

Well, I picked the semi-finalists from the second round entries, and after that I had the good fortune of choosing the eventual finalists. And I backed Auburn to win the title—and they lost. But I, along with many other thousands of Alabamians, am proud of the 1928 basketballing Plainsmen. They comprise what I believe to be the finest cage team that ever came out of this glorious commonwealth.

Losing the title when it already within their grasp was a keen blow to those scrapping Tigers. But they stepped up and congratulated their conquerors with rare good sportsmanship. And they took their licking without the semblance of an alibi. It will be some time before this state boasts another troupe to compare with the 1928 runners-up. Their deeds won't be forgotten soon.

BASKIN WINS RACES

"Weemie" W. O. Baskin, former Auburn track captain and probably the best all-round track star the South has ever produced, is literally burning up the floor in the tryouts for the U. S. Olympic team. At present he is running under the name of the New York Athletic Club. His outstanding feat is the tying of the National indoor record for the 70 yard high hurdles. Baskin has made a name, a record and cinched a place for himself on the team to go across by winning the only two races that he has taken part in so far.

The mere fact that "Weemie" has won two races is not sufficient to illustrate the grain of the wood. He had never taken part in an indoor race, nor ever tried-out on a wooden path, before leaving Auburn this winter. But, anyone that knows this promising young Herculesian will understand it fully. Baskin won for himself the nickname "The Iron Man of the Track," spliced on by Morgan Blake, through his versatility in field and track events. Incidentally, he holds records on the Auburn track for the following events: 120 yard high hurdles, shot put, discus and javelin. Several sports critics said that the South was losing the best all-round track man ever put out when "Weemie" graduated. Fellows, he's a true Hutsell man and is really worthy of his trainer and I'd say maker.

Baskin's feats have been featured in several popular New York Sports papers and with the oncoming races and National try-outs, it is expected that he will gain even greater honors. He won the multitude's praise by his never say die spirit demonstrated in one of his first races when he tripped over a hurdle at the start and kept to the finish.

For the benefit of those who do not know more of him, I may state that he is a member of the Pi K. A. Fraternity, hails from Carrollton, Georgia, played one year of football as an end, was captain of the 1927 track team and ended up by being a prominent sports writer for several out-of-town papers last fall. For further records, I refer you to the Book of Fame or Coach Hutsell. Anyway, "Weemie," Auburn is surely proud of you and your actions. Keep up the good work.

Subscribe for the Alumnus. If the publication is to succeed, it must have your support.

PRESIDENT-ELECT BRADFORD KNAPP

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of Agriculture in 1920 to become dean of agriculture and director of stations and extension at the University of Arkansas. In 1923 he was elected president of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College. He is a member of the Kappa Alpha Fraternity and is a thirty-second degree Mason and a Knight Templar. He is thoroughly familiar with all of the problems of the land-grant colleges and has had an unusually successful administration of the affairs of Oklahoma A. & M.

Alumnus Praises Knapp

Clarence N. Ousley, '81, manager of the Texas Safe Farming Association, Dallas, Texas, makes this statement about Dr. Knapp:

It has been my privilege to have intimate association with Dr. Knapp since 1914. Therefore, I feel fully qualified to testify concerning his intellectual, professional and character attributes. As an alumnus of the Alabama Polytechnic, I am venturing to offer what I know of Dr. Knapp. As director of agricultural extension of the A. & M. College of Texas, 1914 to 1917, and as assistant secretary of the United States Department of Agriculture from 1917 to 1919, I had an opportunity to meet and appraise most of the men in leadership of executive positions in the land grant colleges. I am sure that not one of them outranks Dr. Knapp in native ability, in understanding of technological education, in executive faculty or in personal poise and talent for administration, and I recall few land grant college executives who are his equal in this respect."

Another Alumnus Speaks

The following letter by F. B. Dillard, '71, to the Birmingham News praises Dr. Knapp:

I am an alumnus of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute at Auburn, and have been greatly interested in the possible action of the board of trustees in selecting a president to succeed Dr. Dowell.

I have noticed from newspaper accounts that Dr. Bradford Knapp, as present president of Oklahoma A. & M. College at Stillwater, was being considered in this connection. I do not know Dr. Knapp personally and what I say about him will not be colored by a personal preference, but I desire to say to you and through you to the board that Dr. Knapp is held in very high esteem as an educator and

as a man by the people of Oklahoma. His education, training and experience fit him especially for the head of an A. & M. college, but in addition to this he is considered a man of broad intellect and high educational qualifications.

Recently Dr. Bizzell, president of Oklahoma University, in a published interview, expressed great regret at the prospect of Oklahoma losing Dr. Knapp, and Dr. Claxton, who was commissioner of education during President Wilson's regime, has known Dr. Knapp many years and considers him splendidly fitted for president of the college at Auburn.

I trust the board of trustees will select the best man for the position. I do not know who else in being considered, but I do not think the board would make a mistake in electing Dr. Knapp to the presidency.

With best wishes to "old Auburn," I beg to remain,

F. B. Dillard.

Birmingham, March 17.

Special Committee's Report

The report follows in part:

To the Honorable Board of Trustees of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute:

Your committee, appointed to investigate and recommend to your board, for president of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, an educator of national reputation and outstanding ability, begs leave to report upon its activities as follows:

Scores of letters have been written and many lines of investigation undertaken in the effort to find and recommend to your body the right man to assume the presidency of the institution and to direct its efforts toward maximum service to the people of Alabama. Your committee felt it a duty to investigate each man suggested, and to find:

1. Was he interested in having his name considered?
2. Was he fitted by training and experience for the responsibilities involved?
3. Did he have those qualities of leadership necessary to reunite antagonistic forces and weld the alumni and friends of the institution into a loyal, vigorous, aggressive support of its activities?
4. Did he have vision, coupled with understanding, tact and force of character and personality?

Thus we considered carefully availability, ability, vision and qualities of leadership. In addition to writing directly to all those whose names had been suggested we addressed a number of outstanding educational lead-

ers, such as Chancellor J. H. Kirkland, of Vanderbilt University; President H. A. Morgan, of the University of Tennessee; President E. C. Elliott, of Purdue University; President K. G. Matheson of Drexel Technological Institute, and a number of others, seeking suggestions of men who combined the desired qualities. We also addressed some of the outstanding alumni of the institution living in other states and asked their help in solving the difficult problem assigned to us.

Replies to the letters so broadcast brought us in touch with many men of outstanding ability and character. Our preliminary survey, however, convinced us that our choice of the man to be recommended to your body lay among a small group of men, in consideration of all phases of our problem at Auburn. The file of correspondence was laid before a small group of alumni to whom your committee had convenient access and in whose judgment your committee had confidence. Their conclusions coincided with those of your committee.

All things considered, your committee felt that its first choice for more careful investigation lay in a man of national reputation, of proven ability in the line of work for which his services were being sought and a demonstrated leader of men. Your committee sent a representative of Auburn to interview this man, and on his recommendation summoned the educator in question to meet your committee for a personal conference. The conference was thoroughly satisfactory in every way. A number of available representative alumni of Auburn were invited to meet and converse at length with this man. It was thought to have the alumni so invited include outstanding men, notable for their devotion to the welfare of the institution and representative of all shades of feeling among the alumni.

The educator was questioned as to why he was willing to leave his present post of duty and undertake the presidency of Alabama Polytechnic. The reasons assigned were eminently satisfactory to your committee.

As a result of this personal conference your committee is prepared to recommend and does unanimously recommend to your body the selection of Dr. Bradford Knapp, president of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, located at Stillwater, Okla., as president of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

Dr. Knapp comes recommended to your committee by some of the leading educators in America. His name

is known all over the nation; his experience in dealing with the problems of land grant colleges is wide; his qualities of leadership have been thoroughly demonstrated. He is a man of rare vision, thoroughly familiar with the problems of institutions similar to ours, and ready and willing to undertake its leadership in the present situation.

His name was suggested to us, in response to our request for suggestions, by Chancellor Kirkland, of Vanderbilt University; President Morgan of the University of Tennessee; Dr. Edwin Mims, professor of English at Vanderbilt, and by others. Voluntary endorsements of this distinguished educator, after his name was being considered, came from Clarence Ousley, a distinguished alumnus of Auburn; President Bizzell, of the University of Oklahoma and others. Requests for information about him brought forth high praise of his training, experience, ability, tact, qualities of leadership and his fitness to serve the people of Alabama through the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. Answers to these requests came from all classes and kinds of people, and in every quarter emphasis was laid upon his ability as a forceful, aggressive leader of men, coupled with that diplomacy and tact required to weld together and unite all available forces for service.

Dr. Knapp Favors Development of All College Departments

Your committee particularly inquired into whether, under his leadership, our institution would be likely to experience a one-sided development. We found that, while Dr. Knapp has been distinguished chiefly for his service to agriculture, he was equally interested in engineering, had done effective work in its behalf at the Oklahoma A. & M. College, and regarded the development of the engineering department at the land grant colleges as of paramount importance.

Oklahoma Prexy Lauds Knapp

Dr. W. B. Bizzell, president of the University of Oklahoma, says:

"I have known Dr. Knapp for many years. I have been associated with him here in Oklahoma now for three years. I can truthfully say that he has accomplished wonders for the A. & M. College of this state and for the cause of agriculture during the time he has been president of the college. He has brought harmony where there was discord; he has reconstructed his college curricula in accord with modern scientific and

agricultural tendencies, and he has won the confidence of the people of this state in a remarkable way.

"Dr. Knapp is a man of the highest character, wonderful personality and remarkably fine spirit. It has been a joy to me to work with him. A thing that many boards forget in the selection of a president is the consideration of a man's family. The family life of Dr. Knapp has been an inspiration to me. Mrs. Knapp is a wonderfully fine woman and a remarkable mother. She fits in perfectly in a college community. To know her is to love her. The children are what you would expect from a cultured home, such as that of President Knapp. While I cannot say less in behalf of my friend, I confess to you that I would regret beyond words to see him leave this state. My association with him has been all that could be asked."

Oklahoma Paper Favors Knapp

A leading Oklahoma newspaper says editorially:

"Familiar with our state and of proved worth as an educational executive, Dr. Bradford Knapp is an asset to the whole state as president of A. & M. College. Moreover, he has formulated a program of growth and development for the school that must inevitably be somewhat disrupted by his departure. The school he heads is destined to be an important factor in the future growth of the state. Its trained alumni will be advisers and participants in improved agriculture. They will aid in education, engineering, industry, and statecraft. A. & M. is one of the state's great educational institutions and its future will be brighter if Dr. Knapp remains. But Oklahoma must compete with other states for able men in school work. Failure to recognize that fact has cost us the services of other outstanding educators. If the Alabama Polytechnic Institute shows greater appreciation of his worth, we cannot blame him if he goes. But he is needed here, and the state should do its best to keep him."

Okl. College Paper Cites Accomplishments of Knapp

The college paper, "The Daily O'Collegian," says editorially regarding the report that Dr. Knapp was being considered for the presidency of Alabama Polytechnic:

The president's five-odd years at A. & M. have been spent too profitably for the school to come to the conclusion that President Knapp will always be at the helm of the Aggie institution. The record has been

too good that other institutions would not cast covetous eyes toward Stillwater. The writer can remember those turbulent times in 1923. If ever the future of the college was darkened, it was that year; when most staunch backers of the college wondered what would come out of the institutional wreck in Stillwater. We recall the appointment by the Board of Agriculture of Bradford Knapp to bring the college out of the wilderness of mismanagement and political chaos that had all but broken any prestige the school could have built up.

"As a freshman the writer saw that appointment. We see the A. & M. of today as a senior student. The A. & M. of '23 and the A. & M. of '28. The comparison is all that is necessary to indicate the work of the president that has been done here. We wonder if the A. & M. of '33 will resemble the present school no more than the present school resembles the college in '23. The future A. & M. is much in our hearts; the Stillwater school has hardly started its growth and its work. We hope the Doctor will 'linger yet awhile.'"

In addition to those already referred to, Dr. Knapp's references included such names as the president of Texas A. & M., the president of the University of Maryland, Dr. John J. Tigert, U. S. commissioner of education; Dr. P. P. Claxton, former U. S. Commissioner of education; Dr. Clarence Poe, editor of *The Progressive Farmer*; Dr. Tait Butler, *Progressive Farmer*; Dr. David Franklin Houston, president Mutual Life Insurance Company, New York, and former secretary of agriculture and secretary of the treasury in Wilson's cabinet.

A number of Oklahoma bankers were requested to furnish the committee confidential information regarding Dr. Knapp through a prominent Alabama banker who had close relations with members of the banking fraternity in Oklahoma.

One of them, in reply to the confidential communication, says:

"I graduated from that school in 1898 and immediately following my graduation I was appointed as one of the five members of the board of regents, and was soon after elected treasurer of the college. I served as member of the board and treasurer of the college for about seven years, and I have known every president that the institution has had since its infancy, and can without hesitation say that Dr. Knapp is the best president the institution has ever had. He is capable in every way, and a

splendid educator."

Another banker says:

"Dr. Bradford Knapp, who is president of the A. & M. College at Stillwater, is one of the outstanding educators in this part of the country. He is a man of high ideals, a scholar of high standing and a very delightful man with it all. I think he would make you a fine president for Alabama Polytechnic. Personally, however, I would dislike exceedingly to see him leave the state."

Still another banker says:

"The general opinion through this section of the state, and I believe generally over the state, is that Bradford Knapp, of the State A. & M. College at Stillwater, Okla., is an educator of superior ability and is a man of high character and qualities. His administration of the A. & M. School during the five years that he has been its president has placed it on a high plane. Our own state would suffer materially through any change that would remove him from his present location and we would regret it. We regard him as capable of giving a highly satisfactory service in the line of his profession, wherever he may cast his lot."

From all of the inquiries made by your committee, opinions in any degree unfavorable to Dr. Knapp were elicited in only two cases. Investigation developed personal reasons in one case, which was satisfactorily explained to the committee, and another, a banker, frankly stated that he was speaking from hearsay information derived from a political or semi-political source.

So, from letters from business men, bankers, educators and interested alumni; from personal contact during the course of an extended interview; from the favorable impression made upon a distinguished and representative group of alumni, and from the record of the man, your committee feels that it has every reason to believe it has discharged its duty to your board and to the institution in recommending a man of national reputation and outstanding ability as an educator, as well as a man fitted by training and experience to be a leader.

We unanimously and unqualifiedly recommend to your board the selection of Dr. Bradford Knapp as president of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

Respectfully submitted,

R. E. TIDWELL, Chairman,
W. H. OATES,
CHARLES S. M'DOWELL,
C. W. ASHCRAFT,
VICTOR H. HANSON.

COACH BOHLER ARRIVES

Coach G. M. Bohler arrived on the Auburn campus Monday, March 19 to take up the duties of head coach and professor of physical education. He has found the football prospects in shape for spring training due to the prerequisite limbering-up under the direction of Coach "Boozer" Pitts.

The new mentor is of the scientific type, no side-line coaching being on his program. From the number appearing for spring training, he will have considerable material, yet the more men coming out the better chance he will have of finding the men he requires for his different plays.

The prospects for next year's outfit are undeterminable, yet it is not expected that Auburn will not be recognized as one of the real candidates for honors in the future. It is the feeling of everyone that Auburn is on the upward lap of a long and hard journey and with the leadership of the newcomer backed by the student body, the alumni, and faculty it is felt that athletically speaking, Auburn will arrive.

Coach Bohler has already begun his introductory training by appearing before the physical education classes each day and teaching them some of the technique of forward passing and the handling of the football by means of various games. It is expected that later in the month, a couple of exhibition games will be played and the alumni are urged to come to Auburn at any time and look over the prospects but most of all to get acquainted with the new coach and to help him put across his program.

ERSKINE RAMSAY VISITS AUBURN

Ersine Ramsay, prominent financier and philanthropist of Birmingham, was a visitor to the Village of the Plains during the week of February 27, incident to the granting of a charter to the Kiwanis club recently organized in Auburn. It was through the efforts and donations of Mr. Ramsay that we have on the Auburn campus, the Ramsay Engineering Hall.

SALARY OF DR. DOWELL RAISED BY BOARD

Recognizing the outstanding service to Auburn of President Spright Dowell he was given a \$2,500 raise in salary for the current year bringing his stipend to \$10,000 beginning July 1, 1927. In addition Doctor Dowell was given a month's vacation during July on full pay.

This action of the Board was taken upon the recommendation of Charles S. McDowell of Eufaula at its meeting in Montgomery on March 16.

NEW BUILDING

At the recent meeting of the Board of Trustees in Montgomery, the recommendation of the Extension Committee of the Board to erect a \$100,000 building for the Extension Service staff was approved. It was stated that the present quarters of the staff in the Comer Hall were inadequate and the space there was needed for other purposes.

The matter was referred to the Executive Committee with power to act after conferring with the new president.

NEW FRATERNITY HOUSES

Three Auburn fraternities, Phi Kappa Delta, Delta Sigma Phi, and Phi Delta Theta will build chapter houses on Fraternity Row to be completed by August 1928, at a cost of approximately \$30,000 each.

Action of the Trustees at its recent meeting authorized President Dowell to negotiate loans for the erection of the fraternity houses. This will bring the number of houses on Fraternity Row up to five. Contracts will be let at an early date.

"A" DAY CELEBRATION

The annual "A" Day celebration was observed at Auburn March 26. This is an annual event, marking the opening campus baseball game. The Tiger squad met the Montgomery Lions in combat on this occasion. This celebration is staged annually by the "A" Club, of which "Pop" Patterson is now president.

1928 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 28—Birmingham Southern	at Montgomery (Night game)
Oct. 6—Clemson	at Auburn (Homecoming)
Oct. 13—Florida	at Jacksonville
Oct. 20—University of Mississippi	at Birmingham
Oct. 27—Howard	at Auburn
Nov. 3—Georgia	at Columbus
Nov. 10—Tulane	at New Orleans
Nov. 17—Miss. A. & M. College	at Birmingham
Nov. 29—Georgia Tech	in Atlanta

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Bradford, Thos. C.
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Brown, W. A.
Carter, R. W.
Christopher, J. E.
Downing, Wiley
Flowers, L. H.
Fontaine, B. B. Jr.
Franklin, Joe
Garrett, W. W. Jr.
Graham, Edward
Green, John L.
Green, J. Louie
Guy, J. M. Jr.
Grubbs, Willice Lavert
Hall, E. M.
Harmes, Miss Stella
Herzfeld, John
Hopson, F. C.
Johnston, John Wm.
Keenan, Alfred O'Neal
Keeling, Jerome
King, Peyton D.
Lardent, Charlie
Lawson, John L.
Long, George
Lovelace, E. M.
Matthews, Phares W.
Meyer, J. E.
Miley, B. B.
Mims, R. F.
Moore, Adolphus
Monk, J. D.
McVoy, L. K.
McDuffie, E.
Nelson, Oscar A.
Newman, Miss Fay
Oliver, Jas. McCoy
Peck, Jim Ellis, Jr.
Pope, Orrville
Ponder, J. W.
Price, Wm. T.
Reese, J. D.
Reese, J. S.
Richardson, T. R.
Ripley, Charley
Robertson, D. W.
Russell, Frank
Rutland, N. C.
Samford, S. P.
Scarborough, John
Schultz, O. H.
Sellers, Walter M.
Scott, McKee B.
Shibbs, F. I.
Shruptine, Cecil
Simmons, Bill
Small, Ernest G.

Smith, Julian C.
Smith, L. T. Jr.
Smith, Walter B.
Spearman, J. M.
Speigner, A. H.
Speigner, J. D.
Stetson, Jas. D.
Stevens, F. H.
Summers, Bob
Sullivan, James R.
Suratt, N. Barnett
Taber, Edmund Rhett Jr.
Taylor, Jarvin W.
Thomason, J. E.
Thomason, Junie Marcus
Thompson, Ethridge B.
Threatt, J. B.
Tucker, Henry
Turner, E. H.
Tuttle, Roy
Vaiden, J. W.
Wampler, Joseph Reese
Waller, Joseph Reese
Waller, A. M.
Walker, D. N.
Walker, F. A.
Walton, H. B.
Warren, Butler
Watkins, Leonard
Weaver, T.
Wells, E. H.
White, Hiram
Whitehead, McDuff
Williams, A. E.
Williams, A. W.
Williams, P. M.
Williams, Marvin
Wilson, E. H.
Witherspoon, R. H.
Worrill, J. H.
Wright, L. G.

Much to the delight of the Auburn students and the fear of the Auburn profs, heavy flurries of snow fell silently but terrifically with the force of the strong winds over the Auburn campus on February 18.

LINDY'S RIVAL

Lindbergh can do things of world repute, and then accept his laurels modestly; but here comes one that casually refuses to even accept the proffered marks of honor. With seeming indifference an Auburn senior recently declined his election to Phi Kappa Phi, national honorary scholarship fraternity, to which only the few seniors of highest scholarship standing during their college careers are elected. The elected's only reason was that such recognition often results in conceit, or "big-headedness." It doesn't seem real, does it?

DR. ALLISON DISCOVERS METHOD OF ANALYSIS

From the Atlanta Journal of Feb. 26.

With an apparatus so delicate it can make measurements in terms of less than one-tenth of a billionth of a second, Dr. Fred Allison, of Alabama Polytechnic Institute, is developing what amounts to a Bertillon system for identification of chemicals in a transparent compound.

Incidentally, he has discovered a method for determining the relative speed of electric impulses and light rays. Electricity, he has learned, travels along a straight copper wire about 96 per cent as fast as light rays, which go 186,000 miles a second through space.

The ground work for these experiments was laid about a year ago by Dr. J. W. Beams, Yale physicist, and Dr. Allison with their discovery that the twisting of light rays, when projected through chemicals within a magnetic field, is more rapidly established in one liquid than in another.

The apparatus devised by the two physicists for their earlier work and subsequently developed to greater precision by Dr. Allison, includes two glass cylinders placed on a line with a plane of polarized light so they can be moved backward and forward. Electric currents are passed around them in opposite directions along two symmetrical, adjustable circuits.

By moving one of the cells, or a conducting trolley on one of the circuits, until a minimum of light from a spark in front of the first cylinder appears at a given point beyond the second and measuring the distance of the movement, it is possible to compute the time the twisting phenomenon lags behind establishment of the magnetic field. Each movement of one-half inch means a difference of five ten billionths of a second.

The method promises practical importance as a new and highly sensitive means of chemical analysis. The only apparent limit on its application, as Dr. Allison sees it, is that the liquid must be transparent.

Extending his studies to certain organic chemical compounds, as distinguished from mixtures, Dr. Allison has found that these compounds have no lags of their own but show the lags of the original liquids composing them, a fact which may shed new light on the nature of chemical substances.

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WILL ROGERS

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cry of "Speech, speech," and faced the crowd to say a few words from the hotel steps. After expressing his pleasure at the ovation shown him, he cracked a few cracks among which were these:

"I don't know much about colleges, but it looks like you boys are about old enough to go to work."

And:

"I really know some good jokes, but I can't think of 'em for nothing."

Mr. Rogers retired to his room but later came out to look the town over and gather the necessary material for his talk. He went out to the athletic field and was much impressed by Coach Hutsell's harriers.

Governor Attends Rogers Dinner

At six o'clock, the officers and directors of the Kiwanis and the Presidents of the Rotary and Lions Clubs gave a dinner in honor of Mr. Rogers at Smith Hall. Special guests of the occasion were Governor and Mrs. Bibb Graves and Colonel Fennel.

In addition to the Governor and Mrs. Graves, the Auburn basketball team together with Coach A. P. Papke were guests of the Kiwanis club at Mr. Roger's entertainment in the Gymnasium.

For more than two hours Will kept an audience of more than 1400 in a continual turmoil of laughter. He is probably the only man in the world who could amuse an audience continually for such a length of time. But he did and was "going strong" at the finish.

Rogers Contributes to Auburn Athletics

Mr. Rogers made a gift of \$200 to the athletic fund, remarking that perhaps the amount might be used to purchase footballs next fall, since he had heard about our great success on the gridiron recently. He further stated seriously that he would like for the amount to go to some division of athletics which "needed a whole lot but didn't have nothin'."

Rogers Made Member Scabbard and Blade

Will Rogers was made an honorary member of the Scabbard and Blade while on his visit in Auburn. Lieutenant Leitch, by consent of the national headquarters of this organization made the initiation possible. He was initiated in the "A" Club room immediately after his talk in the Gym and was presented a key. After this, he talked to the members

and expressed his appreciation of the membership.

Mr. Rogers was a student at Kemper Military School, Booneville, Mo. He has a son at Culver Military Academy, and is very much interested in national defense. He seemed elated over the fact that he had been taken in Scabbard and Blade and was delighted to learn that Lindbergh is likewise a member.

An Appreciation

The following notice was published in a recent Plainsman, formerly the Orange and Blue:

The Kiwanis Club of Auburn desires to express its appreciation for the loyal and enthusiastic support given by the following organizations in the Will Rogers parade:

Blue Key, Scabbard and Blade, Auburn Band, Sigma Phi Sigma, Sigma Nu fraternity, the Ag Club.

Special thanks are due to the Blue Key Honor Society. Mr. Rogers said that it was the finest reception he had ever received. He enjoyed every minute of his stay in Auburn.

(Signed) B. C. Anderson,
President Kiwanis Club.

CAPACITY CROWDS WITNESS TOURNAMENT

The wind-swept snow clouds that hovered over the Auburn campus on Saturday morning during the Cotton States Interscholastic Tournament soon faded into a sunshiny afternoon and resulting in the largest attendance on record for the Cotton States Interscholastic Tournament which was held at Auburn on February 16, 17, and 18. We are sometimes brought to wonder just what an attendance we would have if Auburn possessed a basketball court with adequate seating capacity. Our capacity for spectators at present is very limited and large crowds prove to be rather dangerous, as only standing room is available. This brings us to the question of whether or not we will be able to add another wing to the gymnasium in the next year or two? Necessity demands it.

DR. ALLISON SPEAKS IN ATLANTA

Dr. Fred Allison, head professor of physics, delivered the annual address before the Georgia Academy of Science, meeting in Atlanta, Friday, Feb. 11, 1928, at the Georgian Terrace Hotel. He told of some of his recent research in which he has discovered new properties of x-rays and some new aspects of what is termed the "Faraday effect."

TRACK ACTIVITIES

With the advent of spring weather, the track season is coming into its own. At present one of the largest squads ever to turn out for track at Auburn is training daily in the various events that comprise the list of track and field sports. Under the watchful eye of Coach Wilbur Hutsell, the boys are gradually rounding into form in their respective events. There is every indication of Auburn's continued success on the track.

On going to press, Coach Hutsell and three of his harriers were leaving for the Texas Relays to take place on March 23 in Austin, Texas. Captain Snider will run the 100 yard dash; "String" Beard the 120-yard high hurdles; and Sam Robinson will participate in the javelin throw.

Some of the outstanding performers are as follows:

Mile—Duncan, McLendon.

Two Mile—Teague, Hicks.

Hurdles—Beard, Virgin, Upshaw.

Shot Put—Carter, Hoffman.

Discus—Carter, Robinson.

Javelin—Robinson, Nagely, Upshaw.

Pole Vault—Creel, Tinsley, Gailard.

High Jump—Virgin, Upshaw, Burnett, Hines.

Broad Jump—Tuxworth, Beard, Upshaw.

TRACK SCHEDULE FOR 1928

March 23—Texas Relays ____ At Austin
April 14—Tech Relays ____ at Atlanta
April 21—Georgia ____ Campus
April 28—Florida ____ at Gainesville
May 5—Tulane ____ Campus
May 12—S. I. C. ____ at Birmingham
May 19—Tech ____ at Atlanta
June 9—Nationals ____ Chicago

HE SOLD IT!

A dusty buck private highly successful during the World War in selling war risk insurance to other colored troopers was questioned as to how he presented his subject.

"Well, Capt'n, I des told dem niggers dat insured dey wuz val'able to Uncle Sam 'case he stood ter lose money on every one dat wuz lost; ef dey wuzn't insured Uncle Sam'd be sorry ef dey had de bad luck ter git hurt but they wouldn't be no per-tic'lar loss. Den I puts it up ter dem boys like this: if de call comes ter move men up to de front line, who Uncle Sam gwine put where de fightin's hot and dang'ous, his ten thousan' dollar insured niggers er jes' cheap boys wid no money on 'em? Capt'n dem boys jes' used dere common sense."—Exchange.

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